

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

# National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in National Register Bulletin, *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form*. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. **Place additional certification comments, entries, and narrative items on continuation sheets if needed (NPS Form 10-900a).**

## 1. Name of Property

historic name New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park Historic District  
other names/site number \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. Location

street & number 486 Babcock Road ☐ not for publication  
city or town Clifftop ☐ vicinity  
state West Virginia code WV county Fayette code 019 zip code 25411

## 3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended,

I hereby certify that this X nomination    request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.

In my opinion, the property X meets    does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant at the following level(s) of significance:

   national   X   statewide    local

Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

Signature of certifying official/Title

Date

West Virginia State Historic Preservation Office

State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government

In my opinion, the property    meets    does not meet the National Register criteria.

Signature of commenting official

Date

Title

State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government

## 4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that this property is:

   entered in the National Register

   determined eligible for the National Register

   determined not eligible for the National Register

   removed from the National Register

   other (explain:) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District  
Name of Property

Fayette County, WV  
County and State

## 5. Classification

### Ownership of Property

(Check as many boxes as apply.)

<input type="checkbox"/>	private
<input type="checkbox"/>	public - Local
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	public - State
<input type="checkbox"/>	public - Federal

### Category of Property

(Check only **one** box.)

<input type="checkbox"/>	building(s)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	district
<input type="checkbox"/>	site
<input type="checkbox"/>	structure
<input type="checkbox"/>	object

### Number of Resources within Property

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
29	6	buildings
1	1	sites
36	10	structures
18	0	objects
84	17	<b>Total</b>

### Name of related multiple property listing

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing)

### Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

New Deal Resources in West Virginia State Parks  
and Forests

N/A

## 6. Function or Use

### Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions.)

RECREATION AND CULTURE/Outdoor  
recreation

LANDSCAPE/Park

### Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions.)

RECREATION AND CULTURE/Outdoor  
recreation

LANDSCAPE/Park

## 7. Description

### Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions.)

OTHER/Rustic

### Materials

(Enter categories from instructions.)

foundation: STONE

walls: STONE

WOOD/Log

roof: ASPHALT/Asphalt Shingle

other:

### Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current physical appearance of the property. Explain contributing and noncontributing resources if necessary. Begin with a **summary paragraph** that briefly describes the general characteristics of the property, such as its location, setting, size, and significant features.)

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property

Fayette County, WV

County and State

**Summary Paragraph**

Babcock State Park includes 4,127 acres in Fayette County. The park is west of the town of Clifftop and adjacent to the New River. The elevations within the park range from 900 feet at the western side near the site of the former Town of Sewell up to 2,700 feet. The park is largely wooded. Glade Creek and Mann's creek are the largest water ways within the park, but a number of smaller branches and tributaries are contained within its boundaries as well. The CCC-era resources described in this nomination are all found in the eastern half of the park, near its main entrance off County Route 41. The two main clusters of resources are found at the headquarters building with a series of cabins found along Glade Creek; and an additional cabin and recreation area to the north. With the exception of NF-804, a road that links the eastern part of the park to the western part of the park, there are no CCC-built resources in the western half of the park. The road follows a ridge that runs south of and roughly parallel to Mann's Creek as they both head towards the New River which is west of the park boundary. The park as a whole has stony soil including sandstone formations. The forested areas include pitch pine, scarlet oak, red maple, sourwood, black gum and eastern hemlock. Mountain laurel, rhododendron, and black huckleberry are found in the understory.

---

**Narrative Description**

Large portions of Babcock State Park are undeveloped. The developed area is in the eastern half of the park. Those resources constructed by the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) are found in four principal areas: the entrance area, the headquarters area, the Mann's Creek area, and the support area. The narrative description that follows describes the park in terms of these areas.

See continuation sheets.

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property

Fayette County, WV

County and State

**8. Statement of Significance**

**Applicable National Register Criteria**

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- ☒ A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- ☐ B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- ☒ C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- ☐ D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

**Criteria Considerations**

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- ☐ A Owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- ☐ B removed from its original location.
- ☐ C a birthplace or grave.
- ☐ D a cemetery.
- ☐ E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- ☐ F a commemorative property.
- ☐ G less than 50 years old or achieving significance within the past 50 years.

**Areas of Significance**

(Enter categories from instructions.)

SOCIAL HISTORY

POLITICS/GOVERNMENT

CONSERVATION

ENTERTAINMENT/RECREATION

ARCHITECTURE

**Period of Significance**

1934-1942

**Significant Dates**

N/A

**Significant Person**

(Complete only if Criterion B is marked above.)

N/A

**Cultural Affiliation**

N/A

**Architect/Builder**

Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC)

National Park Service (NPS)

**Period of Significance (justification)**

The period of significance, 1934-1942, spans the period from the establishment of Camp Beaver to the closure of Camp Lee, the two CCC camps associated with Babcock State Park.

**Criteria Considerations (explanation, if necessary)**

See continuation sheets.

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property

Fayette County, WV

County and State

**Statement of Significance Summary Paragraph** (Provide a summary paragraph that includes level of significance and applicable criteria.)

The New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park Historic District is associated with the New Deal Resources in West Virginia State Parks and Forests Multiple Property Listing. Babcock State Park was developed in partnership with the federal government through construction by the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) and design counsel from the National Park Service (NPS). The Babcock State Park Historic District is associated with the following historic contexts as listed in the New Deal Resources in West Virginia State Parks and Forests Multiple Property Listing: State Park and Forest Development in West Virginia, 1933-1942; New Deal Federal Relief Programs in West Virginia State Parks and Forests, 1933-1942; Rustic Style Architecture in West Virginia State Parks and Forests, 1933-1942; and Landscape Design and Landscape Management in West Virginia State Parks and Forests, 1933-1942. The historic district is significant at the state level under Criterion A in the areas of Social History, Politics/Government, Conservation, and Entertainment/Recreation for its association with New Deal federal work relief programs, with conservation programs that were a partnership between federal and state government implemented through the CCC, and with recreational development in the state of West Virginia. The historic district is significant under Criterion C for Architecture for its rustic architecture as designed and carried out by the CCC and for its landscape planning designed with assistance from the NPS. The period of significance, 1934-1942, is the combined tenure of the CCC Camps Beaver and Lee (SP-3 and SP-6, respectively).

**Narrative Statement of Significance** (Provide at least **one** paragraph for each area of significance.)

See continuation sheets.

**Developmental history/additional historic context information** (if appropriate)

Additional developmental history and historic context information is available in the Multiple Property Documentation Form, New Deal Resources in West Virginia State Parks and Forests (Sweeten 2010).

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

**Bibliography** (Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form.)

See continuation sheets.

**Previous documentation on file (NPS):**

☐ preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67 has been requested)  
☐ previously listed in the National Register  
☐ previously determined eligible by the National Register  
☐ designated a National Historic Landmark  
☐ recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ recorded by Historic American Landscape Survey # \_\_\_\_\_

**Primary location of additional data:**

☒ State Historic Preservation Office  
☐ Other State agency  
☐ Federal agency  
☐ Local government  
☐ University  
☐ Other

Name of repository: \_\_\_\_\_

Historic Resources Survey Number (if assigned): \_\_\_\_\_

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property

Fayette County, WV

County and State

**10. Geographical Data**

**Acreage of Property** 4,127

(Do not include previously listed resource acreage.)

**UTM References**

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

1	<u>17N</u> Zone	<u>498239</u> Easting	<u>4205883</u> Northing	3	<u>17N</u> Zone	<u>501408</u> Easting	<u>4204484</u> Northing
2	<u>17N</u> Zone	<u>498025</u> Easting	<u>420932</u> Northing	4	<u>17N</u> Zone	<u>503514</u> Easting	<u>4202183</u> Northing
5	<u>17N</u> Zone	<u>505401</u> Easting	<u>4203911</u> Northing	6	<u>17N</u> Zone	<u>504620</u> Easting	<u>4206818</u> Northing
7	<u>17N</u> Zone	<u>502784</u> Easting	<u>4207193</u> Northing				

**Verbal Boundary Description** (Describe the boundaries of the property.)

See continuation sheets.

**Boundary Justification** (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

See continuation sheets.

**11. Form Prepared By**

name/title Mary Ruffin Hanbury

organization Hanbury Preservation Consulting date January 31, 2018

street & number PO Box 6049 telephone (919) 828-1905

city or town Raleigh State NC zip code 27628

e-mail maryruffin@hanbury preservation.com

**Photographs:**

Submit clear and descriptive photographs. The size of each image must be 1600x1200 pixels at 300 ppi (pixels per inch) or larger. Key all photographs to the sketch map.

See continuation sheets.

**Paperwork Reduction Act Statement:** This information is being collected for applications to the National Register of Historic Places to nominate properties for listing or determine eligibility for listing, to list properties, and to amend existing listings. Response to this request is required to obtain a benefit in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended (16 U.S.C.460 et seq.).

**Estimated Burden Statement:** Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 18 hours per response including time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this form to the Office of Planning and Performance Management, U.S. Dept. of the Interior, 1849 C. Street, NW, Washington, DC.

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number 7 Page 1

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park Historic District
Name of Property Fayette, WV
County and State New Deal Resources in West Virginia State Parks and Forests
Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

---

**Narrative Description (Continued)**

*Entrance*

The eastern half of Babcock State Park contains the majority of the CCC era resources, with the exception of portions of some trails that extend farther west. The main entrance to the park is off State Route 41/Stanaford Road. Stone piers flank the entrance road and a rustic stone welcome booth with adjacent stone culvert head are at the north, just beyond the piers. Shortly thereafter the entrance road forks. The southern fork leads to the headquarters area and cabins; and the northern fork leads to the Mann's Creek cabin area.

*Headquarters Area*

The southern fork leads down past a gable-roofed stone pump house (Photo 2) set into a slope at the roadside, past the drive to the cabins along the east side of Glade Creek, thence to a level area where the creek has been dammed. This is where the administration building sits, and a bridge crossing Glade Creek leads to additional cabins on the west side of the creek and a more recently developed Boley Lake camping area to the southwest.

The administration building (Photo 5, Figures 4 & 5) is a stone, cross-gabled building, "H" shaped in footprint and situated on the east side of Glade Creek. A small parking area at its southwest is bordered by a stone retaining wall. The administration building faces south, and a small entrance porch is set adjacent to a slightly projecting wing with an interior gable end chimney. This southern portion of the building is connected to a parallel northern portion by a transverse hyphen. Though the southern section is a single story, a change in grade allows for northern portions to be two stories. The hyphen has a second story porch with an open loggia beneath on the western elevation. The loggia expands into a flagstone terrace which leads by a series of stone steps and landings (Photos 6 & 7) to a viewing area overlooking the Glade Creek dam (Photo 4) and the handsome stone retaining wall along the opposite bank of the creek.

A bridge on stone supports (Photo 3) leads to the opposite shore and a relocated and reconstructed mill. The road then forks and the northern fork (Photo 1) follows along the side of Glade Creek with a descending embankment on the creek side and a steep slope upward on the opposite side. Along this road are several drives leading to a series of rustic creekside cabins. These log cabins on stone foundations have stone fireplaces. They are accessed by steep paths or by wooden boardwalks with steps (Photos 10 & 11). Nestled in a narrow span between a steep slope and a creek in a wooded ravine they are isolated and though fairly close to neighboring cabins, retain a sense of privacy and seclusion. The access road continues, unimproved, west to the Sewell town site at the New River. A footbridge on stone piers crosses Glade Creek to a series of cabins on the opposite bank (Photos 8 & 9) that are similarly constructed and sited.

Perched above the cabins and the creek, to their west is the Island in the Sky Shelter (Photo 12) -- a hipped roof supported by log columns on a three-sided stone foundation with interior stone benches that commands a view of the lower elevations and mountains beyond. It is accessed by the Wilderness Trail, one of the many

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number 7 Page 2

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property

Fayette, WV

County and State

New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

trails developed by the CCC, most of which either originate near the headquarters area, or intersect with trails that do.

*Mann's Creek Area*

North of the Headquarters Area and accessed by the north fork of the entrance road, is the Mann's Creek Area which includes a picnic area and a cabin area. The cabin area is arranged in two neighboring groups, one along a small loop drive (Figure 8) and the other along a short cul-de-sac drive (Photos 13-15), both extending west off the service road. Unlike the Glade Creek cabins, these cabins are smaller, gable-roofed cabins with fletch or board and batten siding, and chimneys, if present, are interior. While still rustic, it is a more restrained style. These cabins are set on a higher, more level elevation. In contrast to the other cabins, these have a sense of a neighborhood and lack the privacy and seclusion of the Glade Creek cabins.

Just southwest of the cabins, along a one-way loop is the picnic area. At the head of the loop is the Mann's Creek Picnic Shelter (Photo 16). A hipped roof structure supported by four tapering stone piers at each corner and intervening log columns, the shelter presides over a wooded lawn of picnic tables, stone water fountains and stone fireplaces at a scenic overlook. A parking area with a stone retaining wall (Photo 17) and the loop drive separates the picnic area from game courts (Photo 18), which are within the loop.

*Support Area*

A service road continues north from the Mann's Creek Area to a support area at the northeast section of the park. In addition to more recent tent camping facilities, the area includes the large, gable roofed main supply house (Photo 19) and adjacent riding stables (Photo 20, Figure 7), the Superintendent's residence (Photo 21), and small storage building. Although the residence is log, the other buildings are built in a more utilitarian frame construction with weatherboard or fletch siding. The residence also has stone entrance piers and a retaining wall. This area is accessed both by the internal park service road and from Old Clifftop Road/Route 11.

**Resource Inventory**

The following inventory of CCC resources includes a resource number (e.g., resource no. 1), resource name, and West Virginia survey number (also known as the Historic Property Inventory [HPI] site number), the construction date, a classification status for each resource type, and a resource count for multiple resources of similar design and construction. Resources were considered contributing if they were built by the CCC and retained sufficient integrity to communicate their historic appearance.

Resource No. 1

Resource Name: Park Roads 802 and 804 (FA-0156)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Structure

Count: 1 road system



**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number 7 Page 3

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park Historic District
Name of Property Fayette, WV
County and State New Deal Resources in West Virginia State Parks and Forests
Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

Park Roads 802 and 804 were developed during the New Deal era. They were originally dirt and/or gravel or stone based. Most of the roads were not paved until the 1960s. Park Road 801, which is the location of Boley Lake, the swimming pool, and the Sugar Camp Run Picnic area was not developed until the mid-1960s and early 1970s. The same is true of the access road in the campground areas along County Route 11.

Resource No. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11  
Resource Name: Park Trails (FA-0157)  
Construction Date: 1935  
Status: Contributing Structures  
Count: 10

Most of the existing trails within the park boundaries were established by the CCC. The exceptions are the Lake View Trail, the Triple Creek Trail and likely, the Mann's Creek Gorge Trail. It is believed that the CCC Wilderness Trail followed an old farm road grade, but this could not be verified. The CCC-established trails continue to follow their original alignments. The CCC trails are Ridge Top Trail (resource no. 2), Narrow Gauge Trail (no. 3), Twin Hollow Trail (no. 4), Skyline Trail (no. 5), Shortcut Trail (no. 6), Old Pond Trail (no. 7), Wilderness Trail (no. 8), Island in the Sky Trail (no. 9), Mountain Heath Trail (no. 10), and Rocky Trail (no. 11). The trails are packed soil with no curbing effect or border. The trails do not have the blaze marking typically found in manmade trails but, instead, they are marked by ongoing maintenance and use. Both keeps the trails clear of any vegetation within their alignment.

\*\*\* Note: Please refer to the accompanying map titled "Babcock State Park - Park Map and Trails" for trail locations. All trails in the Park are delineated on the map with a broken red line. Contributing trails have been delineated in yellow and their corresponding resource numbers (2-11) have been written on the map. The three non-contributing maps have been indicated with NC within a circle. \*\*\*

Resource No. 12  
Resource Name: Car Bridge (FA-0159)  
Construction Date: 1935  
Status: Contributing Structure  
Count: 1

There is one car bridge spanning Glade Creek at the junction of the Grist Mill location and the Administration Building location. The stone piers were constructed by the CCC but the upper portion of the bridge—the rails, decking, etc. -- all date to 1990 and were installed by the West Virginia Division of Highways.

Resource No. 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29  
Resource Name: Stonework (FA-0160)  
Construction Date: 1935  
Status: Contributing Structures  
Count: 17

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number 7 Page 4

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property

Fayette, WV

County and State

New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

There are numerous locations of stonework completed by the CCC throughout the park. The stonework is largely native sandstone. It is rough-faced (i.e., undressed) and, in most cases, laid with flush mortar joints. Surveyed and documented examples are: the stone steps (resource no.13), retaining walls (no.14), walkways (no.15), and overlook (no.16) at the Administration building including the retaining walls in the parking lot and along the creek above the dam; stone retaining walls (no.17) in front of the swings at the Mann's Creek Picnic Area; three sets of stone steps (nos. 18-20) at the Mann's Creek Picnic Area Game Courts; stone piers (nos.21) with wood rails alongside the road at the Overlook at Mann's Creek Picnic Area; a stone retaining wall (no. 22) in the parking lot for the shelter at the Mann's Creek Picnic Area; a short stone retaining wall (no. 23) at the Welcome Booth in the parking area; stone retaining walls (no. 24) flanking the entrance to Pump House # 1; stone steps (no. 25) on the Rocky Trail; stone steps (no.26) on the Skyline Trail; stone steps (no.27) on the trail to the Natural Arch; and stone steps(no.28) and walls (no.29) by Cabins #5 and 7 leading to the Upper Glade Creek Swinging Bridge.

Resource No. 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37

Resource Name: Water Fountains (FA-0161)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Objects

Count: 8

There are eight (8) water fountains. They are made of stacked stone and have stacked stone steps. They are approximately 36" tall. Seven of the eight water fountains are located in the Mann's Creek Picnic Area and the eighth is located on the back patio of the Administration Building (also shown as Headquarters and "HQ" on sketch maps).

Resource No. 38, 39

Resource Name: Fireplaces (FA-0162)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Objects

Count: 2

Only two stacked stone fireplaces with brick inserts remain at the Mann's Creek Picnic Area. It appears there may have been a third one. The two fireplaces are 6' X 5' X 2' tall.

Resource No. 40, 41, 42

Resource Name: Entrance Piers (FA-0163)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Objects

Count: 3

While the entrance sign on State Route 41 at the main entrance to the park is not original, directly behind it are the original stone posts and stone piers with wood railing fencing. The hinges for the signs are extant but the sign boards are not. The same stone posts flank the entrances to each of the cabin areas and have extant hinges but no sign boards.

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number 7 Page 5

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property

Fayette, WV

County and State

New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

Resource No. 43

Resource Name: Welcome Booth (FA-0164)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Structure

Count: 1

This rustic, one-story, gable-roofed welcome booth has a sandstone facade and foundation with horizontal wood siding in west gable end. The roof structure is supported by round logs. It has a large sandstone chimney on east elevation. The entrance porch has cut stone columns on an enclosed stone balustrade. The entrance doors retain original iron strapwork hinges and latches. It is 2 X 2 bays and measures roughly 15' 5" X 13'.

Resource No. 44

Resource Name: Pump House #1 (FA-0165)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Structure

Count: 1

This rustic, one-story, gable-roofed pump house has an asphalt shingle roof with a wood louvered vent in the gable. The facade and foundation are stacked stone. Stone retaining walls flank the entrance door. The Pump House is partially below grade with its sides and rear built into the hillside. Stone steps lead to its entrance. The original iron door hardware remains. It is 1 X 1 bays and measures roughly 14' X 19'.

Resource No. 45

Resource Name: Park Headquarters and Administration Building (FA-0166)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Building

Count: 1

This large, rustic, two-story, "H" plan building has an asphalt shingle roof and four interior chimneys. The facade and foundation are cut sandstone. Windows are generally 4- and 6-pane windows with rusticated stone lintels and sills; some are paired. The main entrance is supported by square wood posts with simple brackets. The building has a rear patio overlooking the creek and dam. It is 6 X 10 bays and measures roughly 56' X 89'6".

Resource No. 46

Resource Name: Glade Creek Dam (FA-0167)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Structure

Count: 1

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number 7 Page 6

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property

Fayette, WV

County and State

New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

This 150' long stone and concrete dam spans Glade Creek to create a swimming area just below the Administration Building, though the swimming area has not been used since c. 1970 when a new swimming pool was constructed by Boley Lake. The gate in the dam is no longer operational.

Resource No. 47

Resource Name: Island in the Sky Trail Shelter (FA-0168)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Structure

Count: 1

This, the only trail shelter in the park, is a rustic, one-story, hipped roof shelter with an asphalt shingle roof. The roof structure is supported by round log columns on an enclosed stone wall/ balustrade. The shelter has a stone floor and foundation. It is 1 X 1 bays and measures roughly 16' X 16'.

Resource No. 48

Resource Name: Upper Glade Creek Foot Bridge (FA-0169)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Structure

Count: 1

This footbridge on stone abutments over Glade Creek between Cabins 5 and 7 is a wood frame bridge with a cable suspension -all modern- on historic sandstone abutments. The Narrow Gauge Trail and the Skyline Trail can be accessed via this bridge.

Resource No. 49

Resource Name: Cabin No.16 (FA-0170)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Building

Count: 1

This rustic, six-person, one-story, cross-gabled cabin has an asphalt shingle roof with a central interior stone chimney. It sits on a solid sandstone foundation and is clad in board and batten siding. Windows are modern replacement 1/1 windows with simulated divided lights. The facade has a projecting gabled entrance porch supported by square columns with simple "Y" brackets and an enclosed board and batten balustrade. It retains historic iron door hardware. It is 4 X 3 bays and measures roughly 30' X 29'6".

Resource No. 50

Resource Name: Cabin No. 17 (FA-0171)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Building

Count: 1

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**Section number 7 Page 7New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property

Fayette, WV

County and State

New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

This rustic, two-person, one-story, gable-roofed cabin has an asphalt shingle roof with a central interior stone chimney. It sits on a solid sandstone foundation and is clad in board and batten siding. It has 4- and 8-pane wood windows. The facade has a projecting gabled entrance porch supported by square columns with simple "Y" brackets and an enclosed board and batten balustrade. It has a shed-roofed wing on north side. Awnings over windows on the south side are supported by knee braces. It retains historic iron door hardware. It is 3 X 3 bays and measures roughly 17'6" X 28'9".

Resource No. 51

Resource Name: Cabin No. 18 (FA-0172)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Building

Count: 1

This rustic, two-person, one-story, cross-gabled cabin has an asphalt shingle roof with a central interior stone chimney. It sits on a solid sandstone foundation and is clad in board and batten siding. Windows are modern replacement 1/1 windows with simulated divided lights. The facade has a projecting gabled entrance porch supported by square columns with simple "Y" brackets and an enclosed board and batten balustrade. Awnings over windows on the south side are supported by knee braces. It retains historic iron door hardware. It is 4 X 3 bays and measures roughly 21' X 28'.

Resource No. 52

Resource Name: Cabin No. 19 (FA-0173)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Building

Count: 1

This rustic, four-person, one-story, gable-roofed cabin has an asphalt shingle roof with a central interior stone chimney. It sits on a solid sandstone foundation and is clad in board and batten siding. Windows are modern replacement 1/1 windows with simulated divided lights. The facade has a projecting gabled entrance porch supported by square columns with simple "Y" brackets and an enclosed board and batten balustrade. Awnings over windows are supported by knee braces. It retains historic iron door hardware. It is 3 X 2 bays and measures roughly 28'6" X 18'6".

Resource No. 53

Resource Name: Cabin No. 20 (FA-0174)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Building

Count: 1

This rustic, six-person, one-story, cross-gabled cabin has an asphalt shingle roof with a central interior stone chimney. It sits on a solid sandstone foundation and is clad in board and batten siding. Windows are modern

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**Section number 7 Page 8

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park Historic District
Name of Property Fayette, WV
County and State New Deal Resources in West Virginia State Parks and Forests
Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

replacement 1/1 windows with simulated divided lights. The facade has a projecting gabled entrance porch supported by square columns with simple "Y" brackets and an enclosed board and batten balustrade. It retains historic iron door hardware. It is 3 X 2 bays and measures roughly 29'6" X 29'6".

## Resource No. 54

Resource Name: Cabin No. 21 (FA-0175)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Building

Count: 1

This rustic, four-person, one-story, gable-roofed cabin has an asphalt shingle roof. It sits on a solid sandstone foundation and is clad in chestnut fletch siding. It has a shed-roofed wing on the rear and a shed-roofed screened-in front porch with an enclosed board and batten balustrade. Windows are modern replacement 1/1 windows. It retains historic iron door hardware. It is 2 X 1 bays and measures roughly 16' X 17'9".

## Resource No. 55

Resource Name: Cabin No. 22 (FA-0176)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Building

Count: 1

This rustic, one-story, gable-roofed cabin has an asphalt shingle roof. It sits on a solid sandstone foundation and is clad in chestnut fletch siding. It has a shed-roofed wing on the rear and a shed-roofed screened-in front porch with an enclosed board and batten balustrade. Windows are modern replacement 1/1 vinyl windows. It retains historic iron door hardware. It is 2 X 1 bays and measures roughly 14'6" X 17'6".

## Resource No. 56

Resource Name: Cabin No. 23 (FA-0177)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Building

Count: 1

This rustic, four-person, one-story, gable-roofed cabin has an asphalt shingle roof. It sits on a solid sandstone foundation and is clad in chestnut fletch siding. It has a shed-roofed wing on the rear and a shed-roofed screened-in front porch with an enclosed board and batten balustrade. Windows are modern replacement 1/1 windows. It retains historic iron door hardware. It is 2 X 1 bays and measures roughly 16' X 18'.

## Resource No. 57

Resource Name: Cabin No. 24 (FA-0178)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Building

Count: 1

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number 7 Page 9

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property

Fayette, WV

County and State

New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

This rustic, four-person, one-story, gable-roofed cabin has an asphalt shingle roof. It sits on a solid sandstone foundation and is clad in chestnut fletch siding. It has a shed-roofed wing on the rear and a shed-roofed screened-in front porch with an enclosed board and batten balustrade. It has wood hopper windows. It retains historic iron door hardware. It is 2 X 1 bays and measures roughly 15' X 18'.

Resource No. 58

Resource Name: Cabin No. 25 (FA-0179)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Building

Count: 1

This rustic, four-person, one-story, gable-roofed cabin has an asphalt shingle roof. It sits on a solid sandstone foundation and is clad in chestnut fletch siding. It has a shed-roofed wing on the rear and a shed-roofed screened-in front porch with an enclosed board and batten balustrade. It has wood hopper windows. It retains historic iron door hardware. It is 2 X 1 bays and measures roughly 14'6" X 17'9".

Resource No. 59

Resource Name: Cabin No. 26 (FA-0180)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Building

Count: 1

This rustic, four-person, one-story, gable-roofed cabin has an asphalt shingle roof. It sits on a solid sandstone foundation and is clad in chestnut fletch siding. It has a shed-roofed wing on the rear and a shed-roofed screened-in front porch with an enclosed board and batten balustrade. It has wood hopper windows. It retains historic iron door hardware. It is 2 X 1 bays and measures roughly 16' X 18'.

Resource No. 60

Resource Name: Cabin No. 27 (FA-0181)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Building

Count: 1

This rustic, four-person, one-story, gable-roofed cabin has an asphalt shingle roof. It sits on a solid sandstone foundation and is clad in chestnut fletch siding. It has a shed-roofed wing on the rear and a shed-roofed screened-in front porch with an enclosed board and batten balustrade. It has wood hopper windows. It retains historic iron door hardware. It is 2 X 1 bays and measures roughly 15' X 18'.

Resource No. 61

Resource Name: Cabin No. 28 (FA-0182)

Construction Date: 1935

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number 7 Page 10

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property

Fayette, WV

County and State

New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

Status: Contributing Building  
Count: 1

This rustic, four-person, one-story, gable-roofed cabin has an asphalt shingle roof. It sits on a solid sandstone foundation and is clad in chestnut fletch siding. It has a shed-roofed wing on the rear and a shed-roofed screened-in front porch with an enclosed board and batten balustrade. It has wood hopper windows. It retains historic iron door hardware. It is 2 X 1 bays and measures roughly 15'6" X 18'3".

Resource No. 62, 63  
Resource Name: Game Courts (FA-0183)  
Construction Date: 1935  
Status: Contributing Object  
Count: 2

The Game Court area includes a tennis court, basketball courts, volleyball court, shuffleboard courts and a concrete ping-pong table that consists of four round concrete columns with a concrete slab top. The only resources that date to the CCC are the shuffleboard court and the ping-pong table. The original tennis courts were located where the current Activities Shelter is now located.

Resource No. 64  
Resource Name: Mann's Creek Picnic Shelter (FA-0184)  
Construction Date: 1935  
Status: Contributing Structure  
Count: 1

This rustic, one-story, hipped-roof, picnic shelter has an asphalt shingle roof supported by corner stone buttresses with round log columns and rails in between the buttresses. It has a stone floor and foundation. It is 3 X 1 bays and measures roughly 30' X 20'.

Resource No. 65  
Resource Name: Main Supply House (FA-0185)  
Construction Date: 1935  
Status: Contributing Building  
Count: 1

This large, rustic, two-story, side-gabled supply building sits on a stone foundation. It has a central, two-story, gabled projecting entrance bay with a forebay supported by large knee braces. The asbestos shingle roof has a central louvered cupola. It is clad in horizontal board siding. The 6- and 9-pane wood windows have horizontal iron bars. There is a small gabled wing on a gabled end with a herringbone freight door with original iron hardware. Entrance bay has double herringbone freight doors with original iron hardware flanked by 6-pane windows. A modern entrance deck has been added. There is a shed-roofed open storage addition at the rear. It is 8 X 2 bays and measures roughly 110' X 24'.



**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number 7 Page 11

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park Historic District
Name of Property Fayette, WV
County and State New Deal Resources in West Virginia State Parks and Forests
Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

Resource No. 66

Resource Name: Riding Stable (FA-0186)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Structure

Count: 1

This rustic, two-story, gable-roofed barn/riding stables has an asphalt shingle roof with two louvered cupolas. It sits on a concrete block foundation and is clad in fletch chestnut siding. It has 6-pane wood windows. There are double Dutch doors on the south elevation; a small entrance porch on the north elevation; and an entrance stoop on the rear elevation. It is 3 X 8 bays and measures roughly 33'6" X 74'.

Resource No. 67, 68, 69

Resource Name: Superintendent's Residence (FA-0187)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: 1 Contributing Building, 2 Contributing Objects

Count: 3

This rustic, one-story, house has side-gabled wings on each end which appear to be original. It sits on a sandstone foundation and has an asphalt shingle roof and two sandstone chimneys. The central portion of the house is built of round log construction with saddle notching at the corners; the wings are clad in T-111 siding. It has modern replacement windows, some with simulated divided lights. At the main entrance is a flagstone patio. A small side porch has square posts and wood rails. There is a stone retaining wall (object) at the driveway and stone entrance piers (objects) at the head of the driveway.

Resource No. 70

Resource Name: Storage Building/Pump House (FA-0187A)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Non-Contributing Structure

Count: 1

This one-story, gable-roofed pump house was originally located behind the Superintendent's Residence. It has been moved a short distance to a similar setting behind the Activities Shelter, located just to the northwest of the Superintendent's Residence. It sits on a concrete block foundation. It has two rooftop cupolas on an asphalt shingle roof. Cladding on the long elevations is horizontal board siding, and on the gable ends board and batten siding. There are 4-light wood windows on each end. It is 1 X 1 bays and measures roughly 19'9" X 9'. (The date of the structure's move could not be determined. For this reason, the resource is classified as non-contributing.)

Resource No. 71

Resource Name: Cabin No.6 (FA-0188)

Construction Date: 1935

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**Section number 7 Page 12New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property

Fayette, WV

County and State

New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

Status: Contributing Building  
Count: 1

This rustic, four-person, one-story, gable-roofed cabin has an asphalt shingle roof with an exterior end, cut sandstone chimney. It sits on a sandstone foundation. It is built of log construction with "V" corners and saddle notching. The logs are stained red/brown and have cement chinking. The cabin has paired horizontal 3-pane wood windows. A shed-roofed entrance porch has round log columns and rails on a sandstone deck and foundation. It retains historic iron door hardware. It is 3 X 2 bays and measures roughly 33' X 24'.

Resource No. 72  
Resource Name: Cabin No. 5 (FA-0189)  
Construction Date: 1935  
Status: Contributing Building  
Count: 1

This rustic, four-person, one-story, gable-roofed cabin has an asphalt shingle roof with a central interior stone chimney. It sits on a sandstone foundation. It is built of log construction with "V" corners and saddle notching. The logs are stained red/brown and have cement chinking. The cabin has paired horizontal 3-pane wood windows. A shed-roofed entrance porch has round log columns and rails on a sandstone deck and foundation. It retains historic iron door hardware. It is 3 X 2 bays and measures roughly 30' X 22'.

Resource No. 73  
Resource Name: Cabin No. 4 (FA-0190)  
Construction Date: 1935  
Status: Contributing Building  
Count: 1

This rustic, four-person, one-story, gable-roofed cabin has an asphalt shingle roof with an exterior end, cut sandstone chimney. It sits on a sandstone foundation. It is built of log construction with "V" corners and saddle notching. The logs are stained red/brown and have cement chinking. The cabin has paired horizontal 3-pane wood windows. A shed-roofed entrance porch has round log columns and rails on a sandstone deck and foundation. It retains historic iron door hardware. It is 3 X 2 bays and measures roughly 33' X 23'.

Resource No. 74  
Resource Name: Cabin No. 3 (FA-0191)  
Construction Date: 1935  
Status: Contributing Building  
Count: 1

This rustic, three-person, one-story, gable-roofed cabin has an asphalt shingle roof with a partially engaged cut sandstone chimney on front porch. It sits on a sandstone foundation. It is built of round log construction with corner saddle notching. Logs are stained brown and have cement chinking. It has 4- and 6-pane wood

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number 7 Page 13

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park Historic District
Name of Property Fayette, WV
County and State New Deal Resources in West Virginia State Parks and Forests
Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

windows; some are paired. The gabled rear wing is clad with board and batten siding. A front gabled bay is partially enclosed and also clad with board and batten siding. The remainder of the front gabled bay is an entrance porch and has square wood posts and rails on a flagstone deck on a solid cut sandstone foundation. It retains historic iron door hardware. It is 2 X 3 bays and measures roughly 20' X 35'6".

Resource No. 75

Resource Name: Cabin No. 2 (FA-0192)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Building

Count: 1

This rustic, three-person, one-story, gable-roofed cabin has an asphalt shingle roof with an interior cut sandstone chimney. It sits on a sandstone foundation. It is built of round log construction with corner saddle notching. Logs are stained brown and have cement chinking. It has 6-pane wood windows; some are paired. The gabled rear wing is clad with board and batten siding. A shed-roofed front porch has round log columns on a flagstone deck. It retains historic iron door hardware. It is 3 X 2 bays and measures roughly 31'6" X 21'6".

Resource No. 76

Resource Name: Cabin No. 1 (FA-0193)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Building

Count: 1

This rustic, one-story, four-person, gable-roofed cabin has an asphalt shingle roof with an exposed cut sandstone chimney on one side with extended wingwall to form a projecting, shed-roofed bay. The cabin sits on a sandstone foundation and is built of round log construction with corner saddle notching. Logs are stained red/brown and have cement chinking. It has 8-pane wood windows; some of which are paired. A gabled entrance porch has a herringbone log pattern in its gable end, as well as round log columns and an enclosed vertical log balustrade. It retains historic iron door hardware. It is 1 X 2 bays and measures roughly 16' X 32'.

Resource No. 77

Resource Name: Cabin No. 7 (FA-0194)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Building

Count: 1

This rustic, one-story, four-person, gable-roofed cabin has an asphalt shingle roof with an interior cut sandstone chimney. The cabin sits on a sandstone foundation and is built of round log construction with corner saddle notching. Logs are stained red/brown and have cement chinking. It has 6-pane wood windows;

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number 7 Page 14

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park Historic District
Name of Property Fayette, WV
County and State New Deal Resources in West Virginia State Parks and Forests
Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

some of which are paired. A shed-roofed entrance porch has round log columns on a flagstone deck. It retains historic iron door hardware. It is 3 X 2 bays and measures roughly 30' X 28'.

Resource No. 78

Resource Name: Cabin No. 8 (FA-0195)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Building

Count: 1

This rustic, one-story, four-person, gable-roofed cabin has an asphalt shingle roof with an exposed cut sandstone chimney on one side with extended wingwall to form a projecting, shed-roofed bay. The cabin sits on a sandstone foundation and is built of round log construction with corner saddle notching. Logs are stained red/brown and have cement chinking. It has 8-pane wood windows; some of which are paired. A gabled entrance porch has a herringbone log pattern in its gable end, as well as round log columns and an enclosed vertical log balustrade. A gabled rear wing is clad in has board and batten siding. It retains historic iron door hardware. It is 1 X 3 bays and measures roughly 18' X 32'.

Resource No. 79

Resource Name: Cabin No. 9 (FA-0196)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Building

Count: 1

This rustic, one-story, four-person, gable-roofed cabin has an asphalt shingle roof with an interior cut sandstone chimney. The cabin sits on a sandstone foundation and is built of round log construction with corner saddle notching. Logs are stained red/brown and have cement chinking. It has 6-pane wood windows; some of which are paired. A shed-roofed entrance porch has round log columns on a flagstone deck. A shed-roofed rear porch has round log columns on a short stone enclosed balustrade and stone floor. It retains historic iron door hardware. It is 3 X 1 bays and measures roughly 29'6" X 22'.

Resource No. 80

Resource Name: Cabin No. 10 (FA-0197)

Construction Date: 1935

Status: Contributing Building

Count: 1

This rustic, one-story, three-person, gable-roofed cabin has an asphalt shingle roof with a partially engaged cut sandstone chimney on the front porch. It sits on a sandstone foundation. It is built of round log construction with corner saddle notching. The logs are stained brown and have cement chinking. The cabin has 6-pane wood windows, some of which are paired. The gabled entrance porch is partially enclosed with board and batten siding and the remainder of the porch has square wood posts and rails on a flagstone deck. It retains historic iron door hardware. It is 2 X 3 bays and measures roughly 19' X 36'.

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number 7 Page 15

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park Historic District
Name of Property Fayette, WV
County and State New Deal Resources in West Virginia State Parks and Forests
Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

Resource No. 81  
Resource Name: Cabin No. 11 (FA-0198)  
Construction Date: 1935  
Status: Contributing Building  
Count: 1

This rustic, two-story, three-person cabin has a saltbox style, asphalt shingle roof with an interior cut sandstone chimney. It sits on a sandstone foundation and is built of round log construction with corner saddle notching. The logs are stained red/brown and have cement chinking. Some of the corner logs have chisel points. The cabin has 6-pane wood windows, some of which are paired. The shed-roofed entrance porch has round log columns and rails on a flagstone deck. It retains historic iron door hardware. It is 2 X 2 bays and measures roughly 24' X 24'.

Resource No. 82  
Resource Name: Cabin No. 12 (FA-0199)  
Construction Date: 1935  
Status: Contributing Building  
Count: 1

This rustic, one-story, gable-roofed, three-person cabin has an asphalt shingle roof with an interior cut sandstone chimney. It sits on a sandstone foundation and is built of round log construction with corner saddle notching. The logs are stained red/brown and have cement chinking. The cabin has 6-pane wood windows, some of which are paired. The shed-roofed entrance porch has round log columns and rails on a flagstone deck. A shed-roofed rear porch has round log columns on an enclosed stone balustrade with a stone floor. It retains historic iron door hardware. It is 3 X 1 bays and measures roughly 29' X 21'.

Resource No. 83  
Resource Name: Cabin No 13 (FA-0200)  
Construction Date: 1935  
Status: Contributing Building  
Count: 1

This rustic, two-story, three-person cabin has a saltbox style, asphalt shingle roof with an interior cut sandstone chimney. It sits on a sandstone foundation and is built of round log construction with corner saddle notching. The logs are stained red/brown and have cement chinking. The cabin has 6-pane wood windows, some of which are paired. The shed-roofed entrance porch has round log columns and rails on a flagstone deck. It retains historic iron door hardware. It is 3 X 2 bays and measures roughly 23'6" X 24'.

Resource No. 84  
Resource Name: Culvert Heads (FA-0158)  
Construction Date: 1935

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number 7 Page 16

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property

Fayette, WV

County and State

New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

Status: Contributing Object

Count: 1

Dry stone stacked culvert heads are located along the park roads. Due to frequent flooding and routine road maintenance, few New Deal-era culverts are extant. One culvert head that appears to maintain its original configuration was documented along the creek at the main park entrance.

Resource No. 85

Resource Name: Designed Landscape

Construction Date: 1934

Status: Contributing Site

Count: 1 (system)

Despite some changes, Babcock State Park retains its overall, original New Deal-era landscape design. The park's 4,127 acres are primarily covered with forests of native hard- and softwood trees, both deciduous and coniferous. Since the 1930s, the natural areas have been actively managed using standard forestry practices. Babcock retains its CCC road network, trail network, bridges, and stream with CCC built dam, all designed to be rustic and unobtrusive. Native stone quarried in the area is used for steps, walls and terraces. Buildings and structures are built in a rustic style dubbed "parkitecture" using native stone and logs to blend into the natural setting of the park. These resources have been carefully maintained by the park to preserve the naturalistic elements of the CCC/NPS design tenets of the 1930s.

Resource No. 86

Resource Name: Campground Bathhouse

Construction Date: 1955

Status: Non-Contributing Building

Count: 1

This one story, gable-roofed frame bathhouse was built after the period of significance making it a non-contributing resource.

Resource No. 87

Resource Name: Campground Check-in Building

Construction Date: 1984

Status: Non-Contributing Building

Count: 1

This one story, gable-roofed frame check-in building was built after the period of significance making it a non-contributing resource.

Resource No. 88

Resource Name: Campground Activity Shelter

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number 7 Page 17

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property

Fayette, WV

County and State

New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

Construction Date: 1965

Status: Non-Contributing Structure

Count: 1

Though sympathetic to the CCC-era designs, this octagonal, open shelter of log construction with a stone fireplace on a concrete pad, was built after the period of significance making it a non-contributing resource.

Resource No. 89

Resource Name: Boley Lake

Construction Date: 1965

Status: Non-Contributing Site

Count: 1

Built after the period of significance, this man-made, 18-acre lake was named for J.C. Boley, superintendent of Babcock State Park from 1944 to 1956.

Resource No. 90

Resource Name: Boley Lake Boathouse

Construction Date: 1967

Status: Non-Contributing Structure

Count: 1

This one story, gable-roofed building with concrete block walls was built after the period of significance and the structure is considered a non-contributing resource for that reason.

Resource No. 91

Resource Name: Boley Lake Dock

Construction Date: 1967

Status: Non-Contributing Structure

Count: 1

This wooden dock was built after the period of significance and the structure is considered a non-contributing resource for that reason.

Resource No. 92

Resource Name: Boley Lake Restrooms

Construction Date: 1967

Status: Non-Contributing Building

Count: 1

This one story, gable-roofed frame building was built after the period of significance and the building is considered a non-contributing resource for that reason.

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number 7 Page 18

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property

Fayette, WV

County and State

New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

Resource No. 93

Resource Name: Swimming Pool

Construction Date: 1970

Status: Non-Contributing Structure

Count: 1

This in-ground swimming pool was built after the period of significance and the structure is considered a non-contributing resource for that reason.

Resource No. 94

Resource Name: Bath house

Construction Date: 1970

Status: Non-Contributing Building

Count: 1

The one story, gable-roofed frame bath house built in conjunction with the swimming pool was constructed after the period of significance and is considered a non-contributing resource for that reason.

Resource No. 95

Resource Name: Glade Creek Grist Mill

Construction Date: 1976 (reconstruction)

Status: Non-Contributing Structure

Count: 1

This two-story, gable-roofed frame mill with exterior overshot waterwheel is a replica of the no longer extant Coopers Mill, that once stood in the vicinity. The Glade Creek Mill is built with parts from three other salvaged mills. It was constructed in 1976 as part of the nation's bicentennial celebration after the period of significance making it a non-contributing resource.

Resource No. 96

Resource Name: Sugar Camp Run Picnic Shelter

Construction Date: 1972

Status: Non-Contributing Structure

Count: 1

This gable-roofed shelter with posts and a cement floor was built after the period of significance and the structure is considered a non-contributing resource for that reason.

Resource No. 97

Resource Name: Sugar Camp Run Restrooms



**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number 7 Page 19

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property

Fayette, WV

County and State

New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

Construction Date: 1972

Status: Non-Contributing Building

Count: 1

This one story, gable-roofed, frame restroom facility was built after the period of significance and the building is considered a non-contributing resource for that reason.

Resource No. 98

Resource Name: Manns Creek Restrooms

Construction Date: 1950

Status: Non-Contributing Building

Count: 1

This one story, gable-roofed, frame restroom facility was built after the period of significance and the building is considered a non-contributing resource for that reason.

Resource No. 99, 100, and 101

Resource Name: Park Trails (FA-0157)

Construction Date: post-1950

Status: Contributing Structures

Count: 10

Most of the existing trails within the park boundaries were established by the CCC; however, three exceptions that post-date CCC activity exist in the Park: the Lake View Trail, the Triple Creek Trail and likely, the Mann's Creek Gorge Trail. The trails are packed soil with no curbing effect or border. The trails do not have the blaze marking typically found in manmade trails but, instead, they are marked by ongoing maintenance and use. Both keeps the trails clear of any vegetation within their alignment.

\*\*\* Note: Please refer to the accompanying map titled "Babcock State Park - Park Map and Trails" for trail locations. All trails in the Park are delineated on the map with a broken red line. The three non-contributing maps have been indicated with NC within a circle. \*\*\*

*Statement of Integrity:*

The CCC resources in Babcock State Park retain integrity of location as they have not been moved from their original locations. None of the resources have had any significant changes to design, so they retain high integrity of design. Some additional resources were added west of the CCC-developed part of the park and twentieth century plans to introduce mining in and around the park were thwarted, thus the natural landscape in the western half of the park, while gently managed, continues to provide a high degree of integrity of setting. While there have been some changes in material, notably with the introduction of composite shingle

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number 7 Page 20

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property

Fayette, WV

County and State

New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

roofing, road pavement (in the form of asphalt), and replacement bridge decking, the integrity of materials remains relatively high with the retention of most of the wood and stone elements throughout. Likewise, the retention of most of the material in the CCC resources has preserved workmanship thus this integrity is high. The high integrity of location, design, setting, materials, and workmanship contribute to a high degree of feeling and association, as does its continued use as a park.

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number 8 Page 21

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park Historic District
Name of Property Fayette, WV
County and State New Deal Resources in West Virginia State Parks and Forests
Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

**Narrative Statement of Significance**

*Babcock State Park, prior to 1934*

The area that is now Babcock State Park was heavily mined and timbered as early as the late 19th century. The Longdale Iron Company mined there and built a narrow-gauge railroad along Mann's Creek to transport material out of the canyon. The narrow-gauge line joined the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad (C&O) at the town of Sewell, the site of which is on the New River, on the western side of the park. Longdale established the town of Sewell and neighboring Clifftop. Sewell contained coke ovens and a tippie. The railroad bed is now the Narrow Gauge trail.

By 1908 the coal reserves were depleted, and the land was sold to the Sewell Lumber Company in 1908. It later passed to the Babcock Lumber Company which continued to use the narrow-gauge railway. During the Great Depression, E. V. Babcock sold a large parcel to the state of West Virginia to establish a state park. Babcock also sold land in Tennessee that was the impetus for the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. An obituary for C. N. Proctor, a member of the West Virginia House of Delegates (1933-35) and sometime employee of the Babcock Lumber Company, credits him as the impetus for the transfer of land to the state.

*The New Deal era at Babcock*

As part of the New Deal, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt combined the creation of jobs to spur the economy with programs to invest in public infrastructure across the nation. One focus of these programs was to create parks and recreational resources for the public. While the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC), created in 1933, had an express mission to address flood control, prevent soil erosion, manage forestry, and other broad environmental policies, it also worked to create public recreational assets. The CCC's efforts in Babcock State Park addressed both environmental and tourism goals.

According to Milton Harr, in his book *The C.C.C. Camps in West Virginia 1933-1942*, the first CCC camp at this location was SP-3, Camp Beaver, established in 1934, followed by Camp Lee, SP-6, established the following year. The "SP" indicated that the camps were operating under the aegis of the Division of State Parks of the Conservation Commission. The division had the mandate to develop state parks and worked closely with the CCC in its early years. Eight of the nine camps authorized for work in the parks were established by the division.

Camp Beaver was established May 14, 1934. CCC Company 1552, stationed at Camp Beaver, worked on the administration building, dam, and the cabins along Glade Creek. A year later, Camp Lee was established. Its workers were tasked with building cabins, game courts, roads and trails. Both camps were located in the supply area in the northeastern area of the park. Each had about 200 men. Among them, or working with them as a contractor, was an Italian stonemason who supervised several other Italian stone masons living in the Fayetteville area who are credited with the stonework at the administration building (Figure 6) and Glade Creek dam.

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number 8 Page 22

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park Historic District
Name of Property Fayette, WV
County and State New Deal Resources in West Virginia State Parks and Forests
Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

A *Beckley Post-Herald* article in 1936 notes the park design which has concentrated the built elements in a few locations in order to preserve the park's natural beauty. "Those responsible for the planning of Babcock State Park have kept this one point constantly in mind, with the result that the greater part of the park is available only by foot and horse trail. An attempt has been made to retain most of the developed projects in one area. This particular section is fairly close to the main entrance of the park; its nucleus being a large stone administration building that houses a park store, grill room, bath house, caretaker's quarters, museum and recreation room."<sup>1</sup> At that point in time, five cabins had been completed and 25 more were planned. The initial work was completed near the main park entrance, all "deep in the cool shadows of the gorge that extends the entire length of the park."<sup>2</sup> The plateau area near Mann's Creek, not yet open, included the picnic shelter that was at that point under construction. The article also noted the park's water system. "Clear cold spring water is drawn from the well and stored by a pumping system to the administration building and to various cabins by means of gravity flow."<sup>3</sup> The superintendent's residence was complete, and the nearby stables were planned.

The article noted that Babcock State Park was a reminder that the region had more to offer than just timber and coal. "This State Park work has doubtless done more than any other one thing in bringing to the minds of the citizenry of this and neighboring states that West Virginia is a state rich in the charm of historical lore and captivating in its kaleidoscopic and panoramic beauty...Babcock State Park with its masculine vigorous topography will do its part to this end."<sup>4</sup>

By 1937, the Island in the Sky shelter had been completed. Roy Lee Harmon noted in the *Beckley Post-Herald*, "The CCC lads from Camp Beaver and Camp Lee have been very busy. There are 290 boys in the two camps. And don't let anybody tell you that the life of a CCC lad is all play. I saw groups of them making roads, getting out stone for the finishing touches on some of the buildings, driving trucks and doing the work of he-men. Again, the idea came back that the greatest thing the New Deal gave this country was the CCC organization."<sup>5</sup> Harmon reported on the progress the CCC workers had made to date. "Superintendent Baldwin said that they boys in the camps are devoting no time to reforestation at present. Their work consists wholly of erecting buildings, making roads and similar activities in order to get the park completed shortly. Seventeen miles of telephone line were strung in the park, five and one-half miles of roads have been finished and 14 miles of bridle paths have been completed."<sup>6</sup>

Contemporary articles about Babcock stress the construction work at the park, with scant acknowledgement of the conservation work completed on site. While poorly documented, it is known that mining, timbering, and fires had damaged the landscape and that part of the work of the CCC was to restore the vegetation that supported both wildlife habitat and water quality within the park.

<sup>1</sup> "Babcock State Park to be Mecca for Tourists," *Beckley Post-Herald*, Feb 28, 1936, P. 5.

<sup>2</sup> "Babcock State Park to be Mecca for Tourists," *Beckley Post-Herald*, Feb 28, 1936, P. 5.

<sup>3</sup> "Babcock State Park to be Mecca for Tourists," *Beckley Post-Herald*, Feb 28, 1936, P. 5.

<sup>4</sup> "Babcock State Park to be Mecca for Tourists," *Beckley Post-Herald*, Feb 28, 1936, P. 5.

<sup>5</sup> Roy Lee Harmon, "Babcock State Park is Fisherman's Paradise," *Beckley Post-Herald*, May 8, 1937, P. 7.

<sup>6</sup> IBID.

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number 8 Page 23

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park Historic District
Name of Property Fayette, WV
County and State New Deal Resources in West Virginia State Parks and Forests
Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

CCC Camp Lee superintendent James Baldwin was appointed the first Superintendent of Babcock State Park in 1937. It is believed that Camp Beaver was closed in August 1937, and Camp Lee in the spring of 1942.

*Babcock State Park in the post-New Deal era*

In the late 1940s and early 1950s, the park was threatened by coal mining activities both inside and outside of the park. In 1948 *The Raleigh Register* reported on a proposal to allow strip mining on 188 acres inside the boundaries of the park. It states that State Conservation Commissioner Jack Shipman justified the proposed lease as it would have "no effect on recreational facilities. He explained that the tract is in the extreme western portion of the park and that no recreational program had even been planned within two miles of the coal acreage involved."<sup>7</sup>

Local opposition was quick, strong and vocal. A January 8, 1948 article in the *Beckley Post-Herald* published a protest letter from the local Kiwanis Club. They noted the destruction of natural features from strip mining and concluded, "We, as citizens of our great state, are proud of its scenic beauty, and have been heartily in accord with the acquisition and development of our state parks, and it would be a grievous hurt for elected representatives to consent to or permit their desecration in any manner."<sup>8</sup> The Kiwanis Club was not alone. By the next day the *Raleigh Register* noted additional protest. It was disclosed that the State Department of Mines and the proposed contractor had already invested \$1,500 to assess the coal in the park. The Conservation Commission noted that any drain would be diverted from Babcock's trout streams into the New River. Hedging his bets, Commissioner Shipman "expressed his personal disgust at strip mining in West Virginia in general, but stated, 'several persons and firms have said the state is passing up a marvelous opportunity' (by leaving the coal in situ)."<sup>9</sup> Shipman contended that lease proceeds could be used to support park operations. "Shipman said he realized it would appear to be incongruous for the Conservation Commission to lease park land for strip mining purposes, with most people in the state opposed to strip mining in general."<sup>10</sup> In the *Beckley Post Herald*, Shipman estimates the lease revenue at \$75,000- \$100,000.

However, protests continued to mount, noting the irony of opening land purchased from a mining operation to be used as a park to be strip mined. Even the United Mine Workers voiced opposition to the plan. By the 14th of January the plan was scrapped. An editorial in the *Beckley Post Herald* celebrated the protection of the park, with a note of cynicism: "When we exposed the proposed Babcock strip mining deal, we had no real hope that the people would actually raise their voices in protest to this raid on their rightful heritage...but for once they did howl, and their howling accomplished its purpose in one short week. The governor and state conservation commission were shocked up out of their well-padded chairs when telegrams and letters started pouring in from indignant citizens, civic clubs, garden clubs, sportsmen's organizations, Chambers of

<sup>7</sup> "Dangerous Precedent" *The Raleigh Register* Jan 8, 1948, P. 4.

<sup>8</sup> "Hinton Kiwanians Protest Strip Mining at Babcock" *Beckley Post-Herald* Jan 8, 1948, P. 7.

<sup>9</sup> "Protest to Babcock Mining Plan Swamp Conservation Office" *The Raleigh Register* Jan 9, 1948, P. 1.

<sup>10</sup> "Protest to Babcock Mining Plan Swamp Conservation Office" *The Raleigh Register* Jan 9, 1948, P. 1.

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number 8 Page 24

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park Historic District
Name of Property Fayette, WV
County and State New Deal Resources in West Virginia State Parks and Forests
Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

Commerce, and other aroused bodies, and the net result was that the commission withdrew its vicious order and Babcock State Park is saved from the strippers, at least until after next election."<sup>11</sup>

Although plans to mine within the park had been defeated, strip mining continued to impact the park. Operations upstream had left Babcock's streams and swimming areas muddied and silted. Mining trucks damaged park roads. Tourism numbers were down at Babcock and the effects of local mining operations appeared to be a contributing factor. Promotional articles praised the park's 20 miles of trails, its 5 miles of park roads surfaced with crushed sandstone, the 26 cabins, swimming pool, trout fishing, and scenic picnic area.

In 1952 the A. T. Massey Coal Company of Richmond, Virginia which had coal rights outside of the park sought to expand the historic narrow-gauge railroad right-of-way within the park, working in collaboration with the C and O Railroad, to ship coal through the park. Potential impact was represented as minimal with a large tunnel under the administration building and the destruction of only two cabins.<sup>12</sup>

The press was less strident in its opposition to this plan and noted that water quality might improve as Massey had suggested building settling basins above the park, and that rail transit would take coal trucks off the park roads.<sup>13</sup> The water quality issue was at the forefront of arguments about local mining. An editorial in *The Raleigh Register* noted, "Seven or eight years ago Babcock's major fishing and swimming stream, Glade, was crystal clear. ...Today that stream is almost dead and virtually dries up in drought periods. Babcock park (sic) has so suffered the ill effects of strip mining that today cabins stand empty at the height of the vacation season. People simply don't like swimming in muddy water, and when they can only fish outside the park they would just as soon go elsewhere."<sup>14</sup>

A public meeting in September 1952 was dominated by mining proponents who suggested the public should not interfere in private property rights, nor limit a company's ability to profit from their land, nor threaten the prospect of new mining jobs in the local economy. One coal executive from a neighboring operation "said he didn't think Babcock amounted to much as a park...(and) the state should examine the possibility of abandoning it and taking money from the purchase for development of a better park elsewhere."<sup>15</sup> And while the Conservation Commissioner's comments were lukewarm, "Kermit McKeever, chief of the division of state parks, said the state and federal governments have an investment of between \$3.25 and \$3.5 million in Babcock and went on to say that he believed the rail line would ruin the beauty of the park and make useless most of the cabins."<sup>16</sup> In October 1952, the state Conservation Commission unanimously opposed the rail project noting its adverse impact on the park and that there were other transit options available. In 1953, the *Beckley Post Herald* noted that cabin bookings were down likely due to confusion

<sup>11</sup> "The People Can Win, Sometimes," *Beckley Post-Herald*, Jan 14, 1948, P. 6.

<sup>12</sup> "Coal Expansion, Rail Spur Planned in Fayette," *The Raleigh Register*, Aug 5, 1952, P. 1.

<sup>13</sup> Thomas F. Stafford, "Battle Between Two Railroads Shaping Up in Expanding Coal Field," *The Raleigh Register*, Aug 31, 1952, P. 7.

<sup>14</sup> "Babcock Park Exemplifies Water Policy Need" *The Raleigh Register* Sep 7, 1952, P. 6.

<sup>15</sup> Thomas F. Stafford, "Babcock's Future Still Uncertain After Public Hearing," *The Raleigh Register*, Sep 23, 1952, P.12.

<sup>16</sup> IBID.

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number 8 Page 25

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property

Fayette, WV

County and State

New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

about the mining and railroad controversy but that the streams and swimming area were clear and stocked with trout. Additionally, a new road had been built outside the park boundaries for coal trucks, and the park roads had been re-surfaced, and the 26 cabins had been renovated.<sup>17</sup>

In the 1960s a tent cabin area was added to the park.<sup>18</sup> Additional acreage was purchased, and a dam built to create Boley Lake along with a boat house, dock and new access roads. A swimming pool was also added at that time. In 1976 a grist mill recreation, which included parts of local Cooper's mill, was assembled on Glade Creek opposite the Administration Building.

*Significance and Integrity*

The Babcock State Park historic district is associated with all four of the historic contexts described in the New Deal Resources in West Virginia State Parks and Forests Multiple Property Listing.

Babcock is significant for its association with State Park and Forest Development in West Virginia, 1933-1942 and the areas of significance of Conservation and Entertainment/Recreation. The state of West Virginia acquired the land that would become Babcock State Park in 1938 from the Babcock Lumber Company. CCC work on the site both prior to and after the state's acquisition of the property addressed recreational and conservation values including the construction of cabins and picnic areas.

Babcock State Park is significant for its association with New Deal Federal Relief Programs in West Virginia State Parks and Forests from 1933 to 1942 in the areas of Politics/Government and Social History. The CCC provided job training, employment, and income to participants during the Great Depression. Their work at Babcock and elsewhere created public infrastructure including natural conservation projects, forestry programs, fire protection improvements, transportation resources through roads and trails, and recreational facilities. These investments not only served the CCC members and the public during the Great Depression but have continued to serve their communities and the nation at large to this day.

Babcock's rustic style resources make it significant for its association with Rustic Style Architecture in West Virginia State Parks and Forests, 1933-1942 under the area of Architecture. Major features including the cabins, picnic shelter, superintendent's residence, and hiking shelter are excellent examples of rustic "parkitecture" promoting the use of natural, local materials such as wood and stone, often roughly finished.

Babcock State Park's overall landscape plan (Figures 1-3) makes it significant under Landscape Design and Landscape Management in West Virginia State Parks and Forests, 1933-1942. Placement of recreation resources in tight clusters, and using rough natural materials allowed buildings and structures to be unobtrusive and not detract from their natural setting and appearance, providing visual harmony. The continued management of the natural areas since the New Deal era reinforces both integrity and significance

<sup>17</sup> Thomas F. Stafford, "Water's Clear, Cool; Cabins rated 'Tops'", *The Raleigh Register*, May 10, 1953, Page 24.

<sup>18</sup> "Babcock State Park to get Tenting Area," *Beckley Post-Herald*, Jul 7, 1960, Page 8.

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number 8 Page 26

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property

Fayette, WV

County and State

New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

---

The New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park Historic District retain integrity of location, design, setting, workmanship, feeling and association. Though some resources have had alterations of materials, the work has been done sensitively and the changes do not the impair their integrity to the extent that they are no longer National Register eligible.



**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number 9 Page 27

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

**BIBLIOGRAPHY**

"Area Citizens May Help State Decide on Rail Line Through Babcock Park." *Beckley Post-Herald*, Sep 1, 1952.

"Babcock State Park to be Mecca for Tourists." *Beckley Post-Herald*, Feb 28, 1936.

"Babcock State Park to get Tenting Area." *Beckley Post-Herald*, Jul 7, 1960.

"Babcock Park Exemplifies Water Policy Need." *The Raleigh Register*, Sep 7, 1952.

"Babcock Park Offers Well-Earned Rest." *The Charleston Daily Mail*, May 23, 1954.

"Beneficial Scars?" *The Raleigh Register*, Aug 7, 1952.

"C. N. Proctor." *The Raleigh Register*, Jun 4, 1936.

"Coal Expansion, Rail Spur Planned in Fayette." *The Raleigh Register*, Aug 5, 1952.

"Dangerous Precedent." *The Raleigh Register*, Jan 8, 1948.

"5 New CCC Camps to be set up in the State." *Bluefield Daily Telegraph*, Apr 1, 1934.

Harmon, Roy Lee. "Babcock State Park is Fisherman's Paradise." *Beckley Post-Herald*, May 8, 1937.

"Hinton Kiwanians Protest Strip Mining at Babcock." *Beckley Post-Herald*, Jan 8, 1948.

"Improvements Being Made at Babcock." *Beckley Post-Herald - The Raleigh Register*, May 2, 1965.

Laing, J. M. "Hunt and Fish--But Conserve." *The Raleigh Register*, Sep 28, 1952.

Lawless, Bud. "Beckley Area has Many Scenic Wonders." *Beckley Post-Herald*, Aug 26, 1950.

"Mountain Vacation, Designed for any Budget, Offered by Scenic Healthy West Virginia." *The Raleigh Register*, Jun 18, 1950.

"One-Sided Case." *The Raleigh Register*, Sep 25, 1952.

"Protest to Babcock Mining Plan Swamp Conservation Office." *The Raleigh Register*, Jan 9, 1948.

"Recreation Possibilities in W. Va." *Beckley Post-Herald*, Aug 18, 1947.

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number 9 Page 28

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

Saladyga, Thomas. "Forest Disturbance History from 'Legacy' Pitch Pine (*Pinus rigida*) at the New River Gorge, West Virginia," *Natural Areas Journal*, 37(1): 49-57. Accessed <https://doi.org/10.3375/043.037.0108>

"SCC Blocks Construction of Rail Line at Babcock." *Beckley Post-Herald*, Oct 10, 1952.

"Shipman calls Park Proposal Lucrative Idea." *Beckley Post-Herald*, Jan 9, 1948.

Snyder, William C. "Forest Field and Stream." *Bluefield Daily Telegraph*, Jan 13, 1935.

Stafford, Thomas F. "Babcock's Future Still Uncertain After Public Hearing." *The Raleigh Register*, Sep 23, 1952.

Stafford, Tomas F. "Battle Between Two Railroads Shaping Up in Expanding Coal Field." *The Raleigh Register*, Aug 31, 1952.

Stafford, Thomas F. "Bug Dust." *The Raleigh Register*, Jun 22, 1949.

Stafford, Thomas F. "Water's Clear, Cool; Cabins rated 'Tops'." *The Raleigh Register*, May 10, 1953.

"Strength Against Mining Park Coal Mounts in Region." *Beckley Post-Herald*, Jan 9, 1948.

"The Future of Babcock State Park." *Beckley Post-Herald*, Aug 29, 1952.

"The People Can Win, Sometimes." *Beckley Post-Herald*, Jan 14, 1948.

"13,000 Acres of Babcock Coal Property Purchased." *Beckley Post-Herald*, Aug 28, 1952.

"Truth About Babcock." *Beckley Post-Herald*, May 16, 1949.

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number 10 Page 29

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

---

**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

The boundary of New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park Historic District is shown on the two accompanying maps entitled "Babcock State Park, Fayette County – West Virginia."

**BOUNDARY JUSTIFICATION**

The historic district boundary encompasses the entirety of Babcock State Park, which was established during the New Deal period. The extant cultural and managed natural resources have continued with integrity since that period.

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Figures      Page      30

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

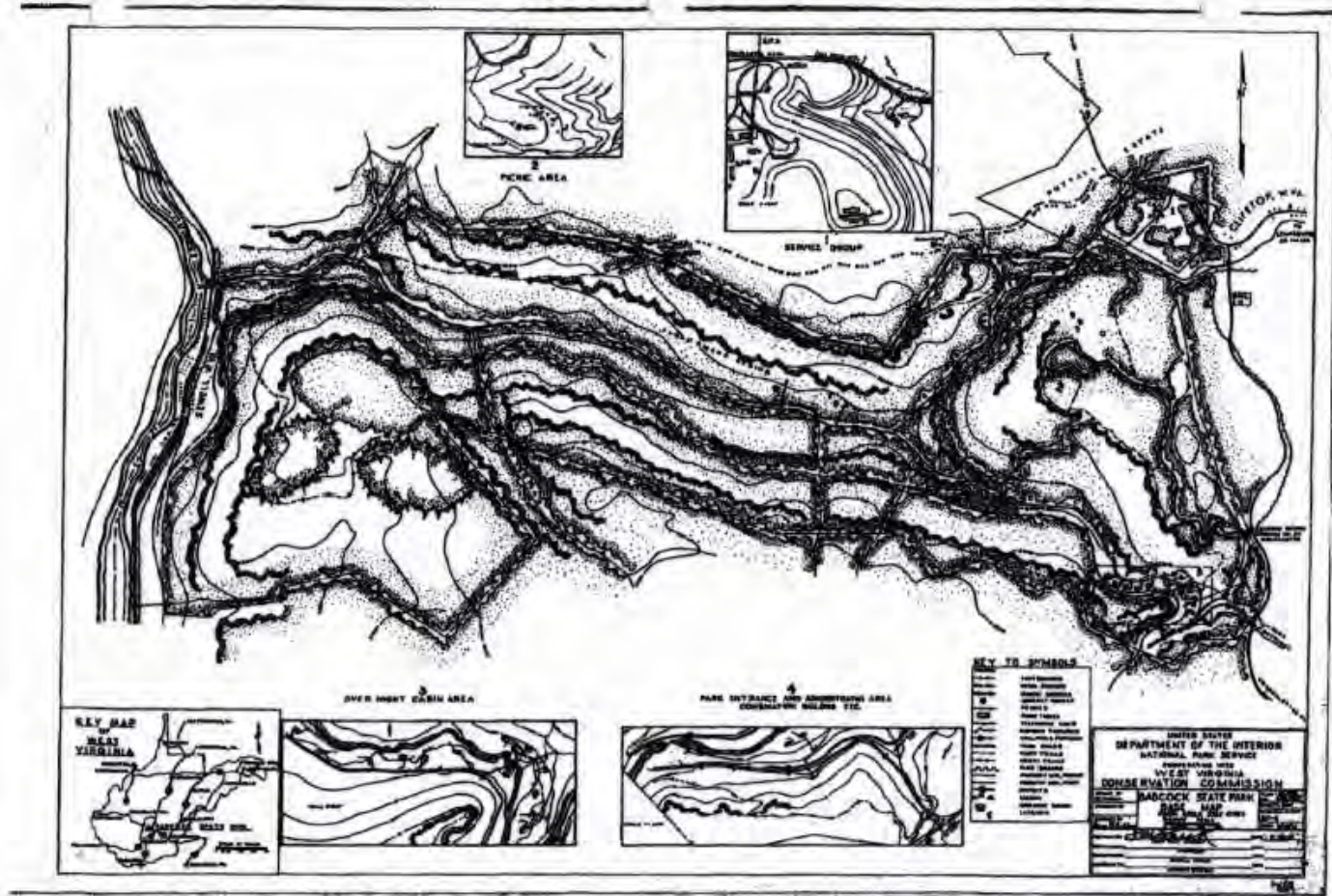


Figure 1: *Babcock State Park* (United States Department of the Interior National Park Service Cooperating with West Virginia Conservation Commission). nd.



**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Figures      Page      31

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

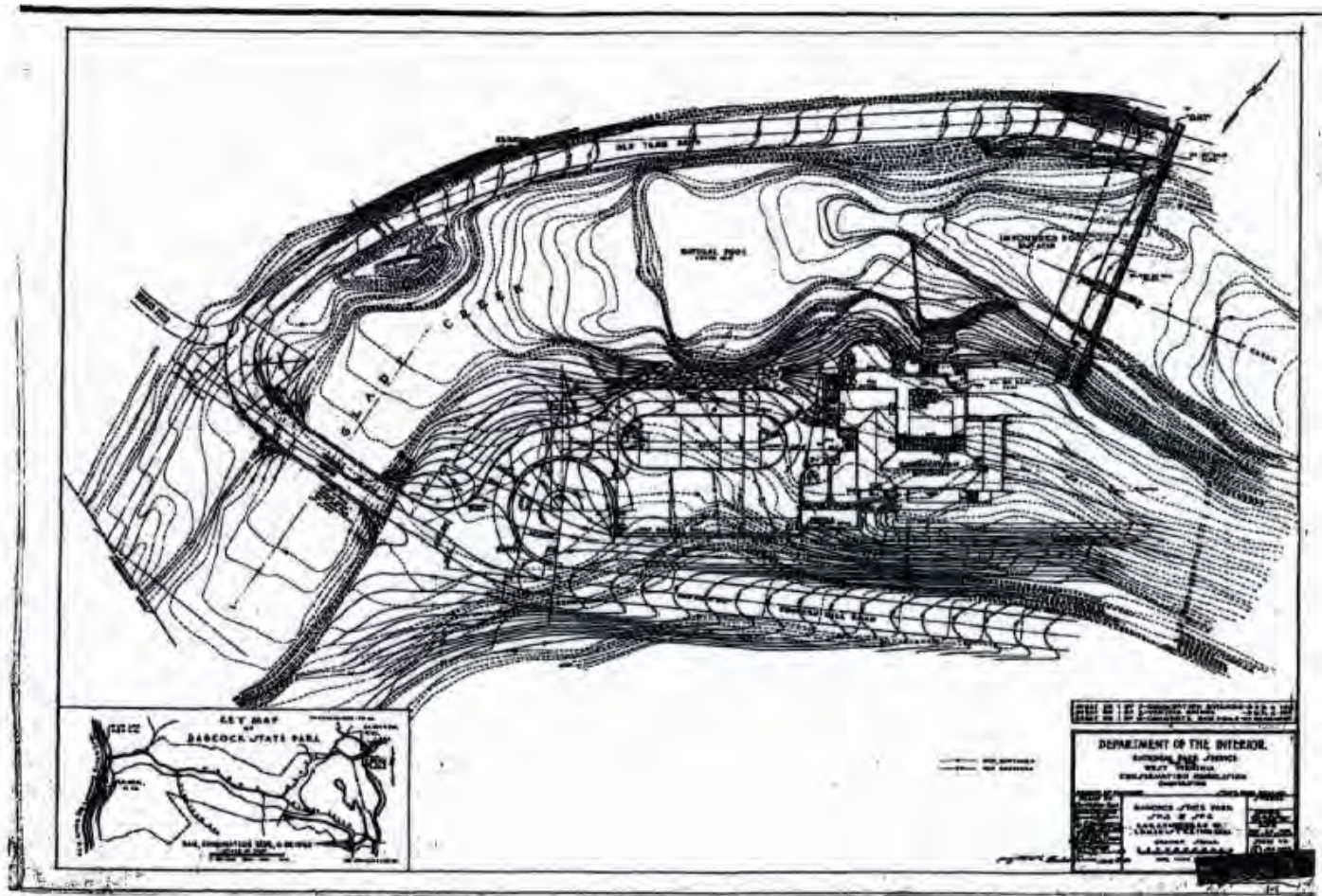
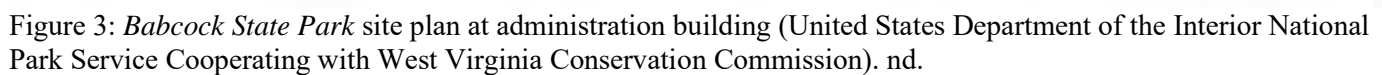


Figure 2: *Babcock State Park* site plan (United States Department of the Interior National Park Service Cooperating with West Virginia Conservation Commission). nd.

Section number      **Figures**    Page      **32**

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)





**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Figures      Page      33

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

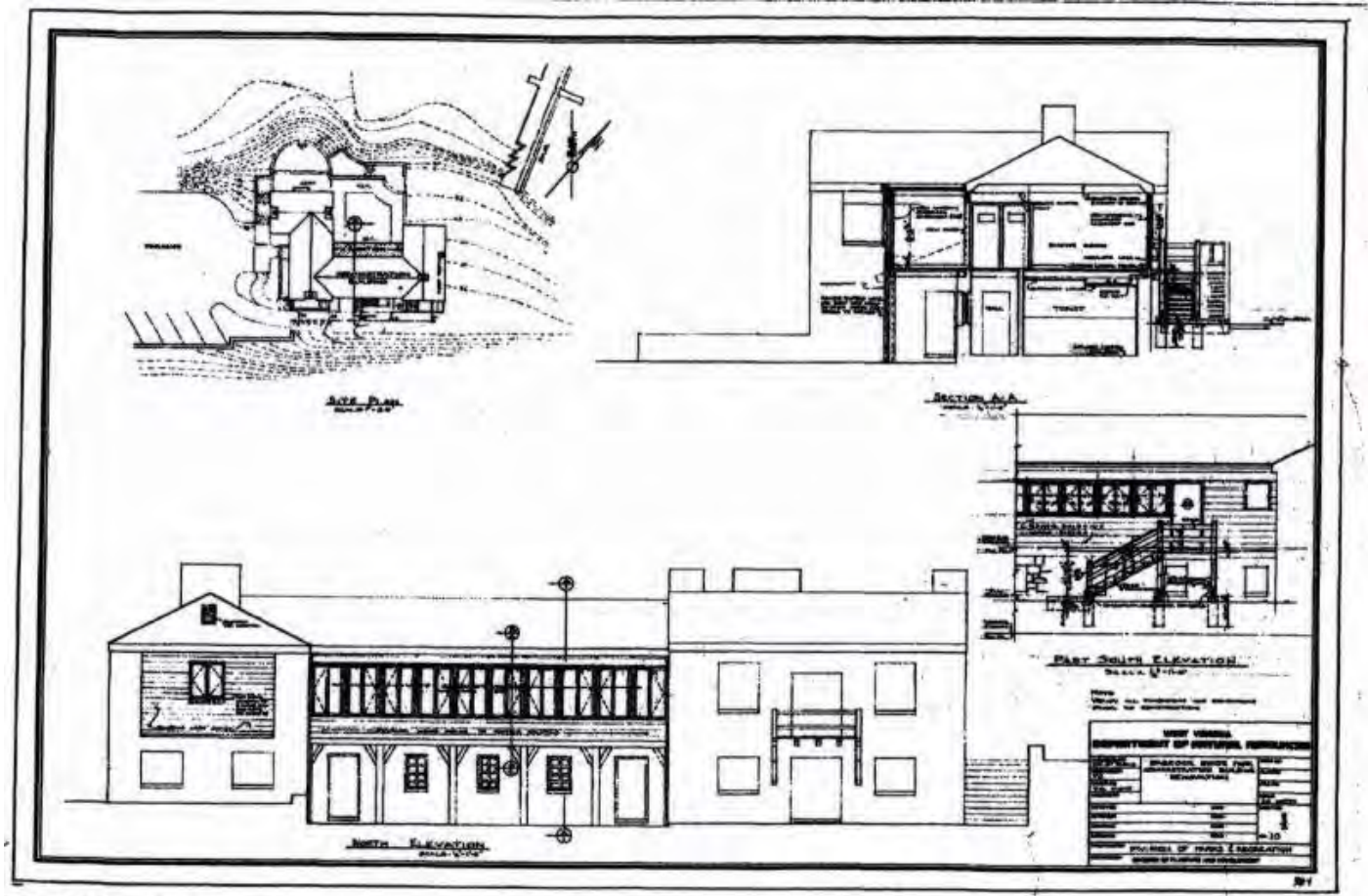


Figure 4: *Babcock State Park* Administration Building, elevation (United States Department of the Interior National Park Service Cooperating with West Virginia Conservation Commission). nd.

## New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park Historic District

Name of Property Fayette, WV
County and State New Deal Resources in West Virginia State Parks and Forests
Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

---

Section number      **Figures**    Page      **34**

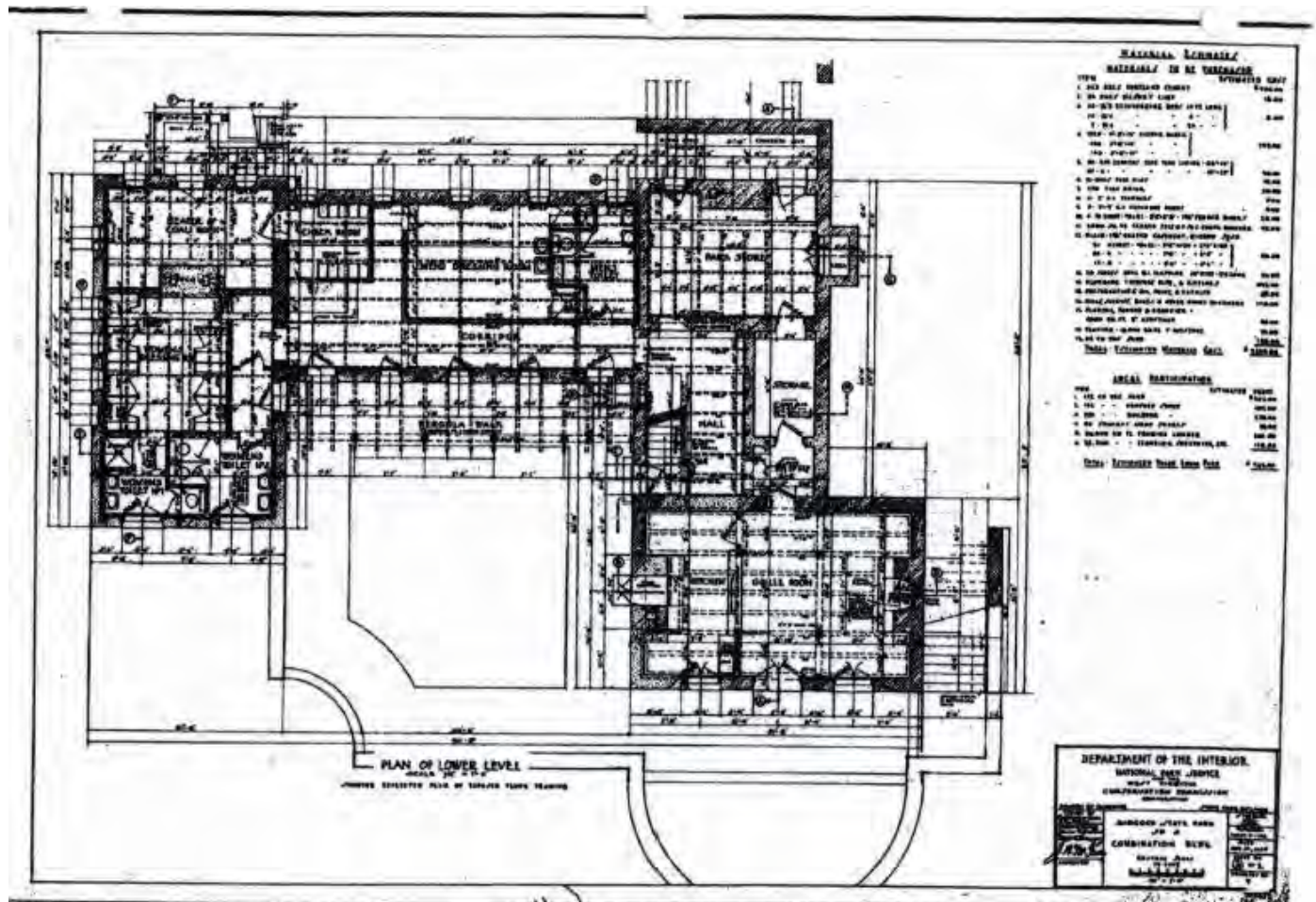


Figure 5: *Babcock State Park* Administration Building, plan (United States Department of the Interior National Park Service Cooperating with West Virginia Conservation Commission). nd.



United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places  
Continuation Sheet

Section number      Figures      Page      35

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

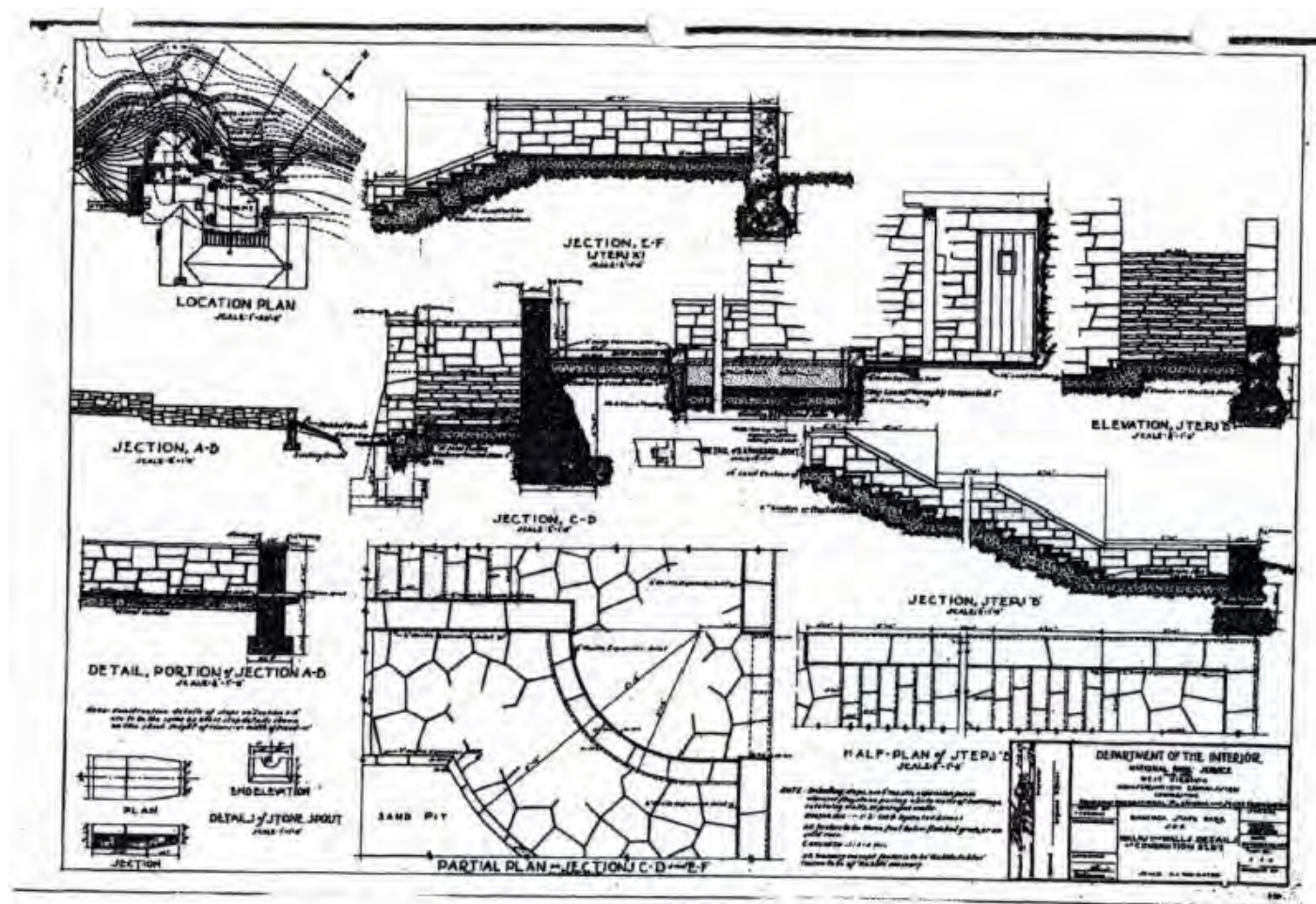


Figure 6: Babcock State Park Administration Building, terrace (United States Department of the Interior National Park Service Cooperating with West Virginia Conservation Commission). nd.

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Figures      Page      36

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

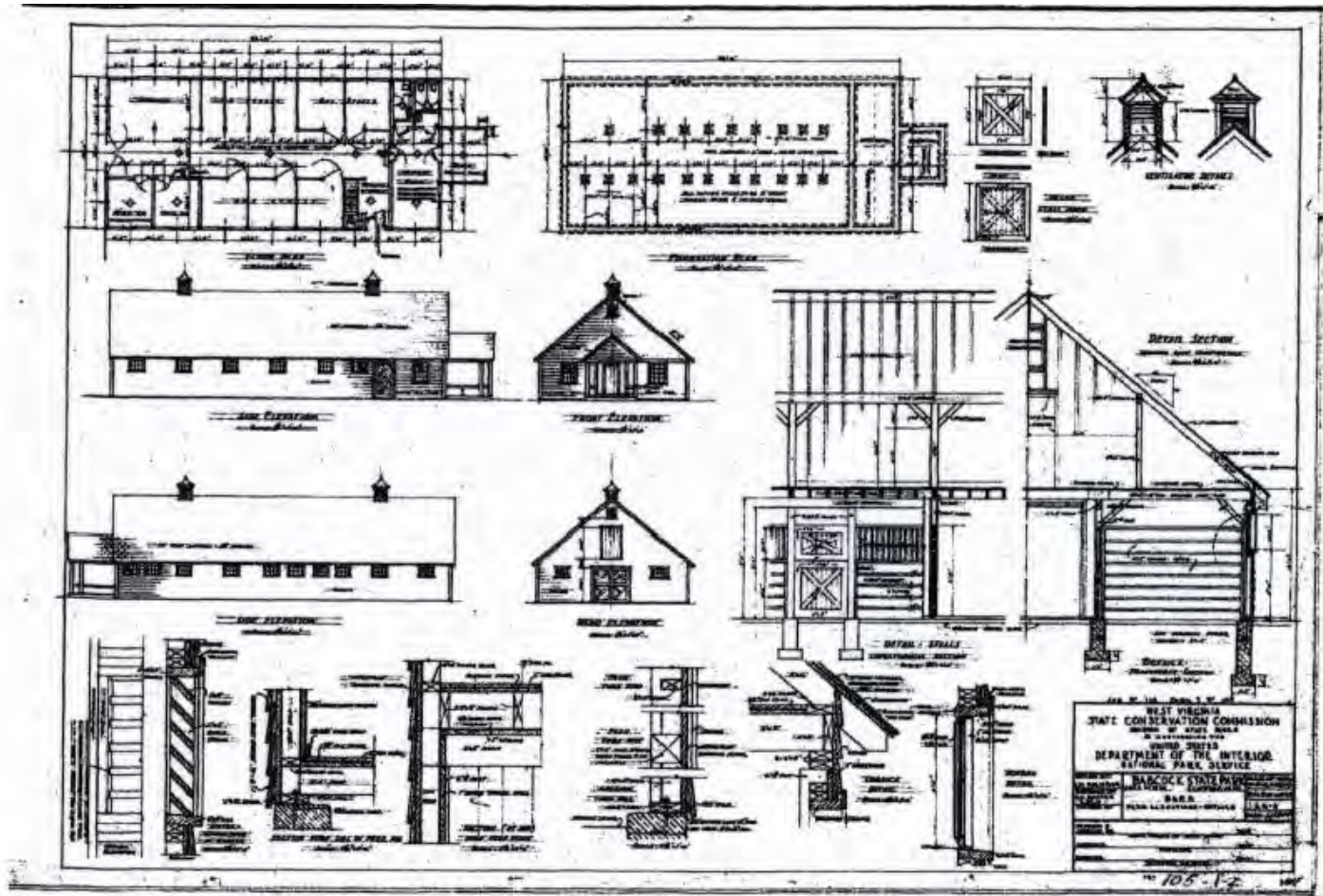


Figure 7: *Babcock State Park* stable (United States Department of the Interior National Park Service Cooperating with West Virginia Conservation Commission). nd.



**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Figures      Page      37

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

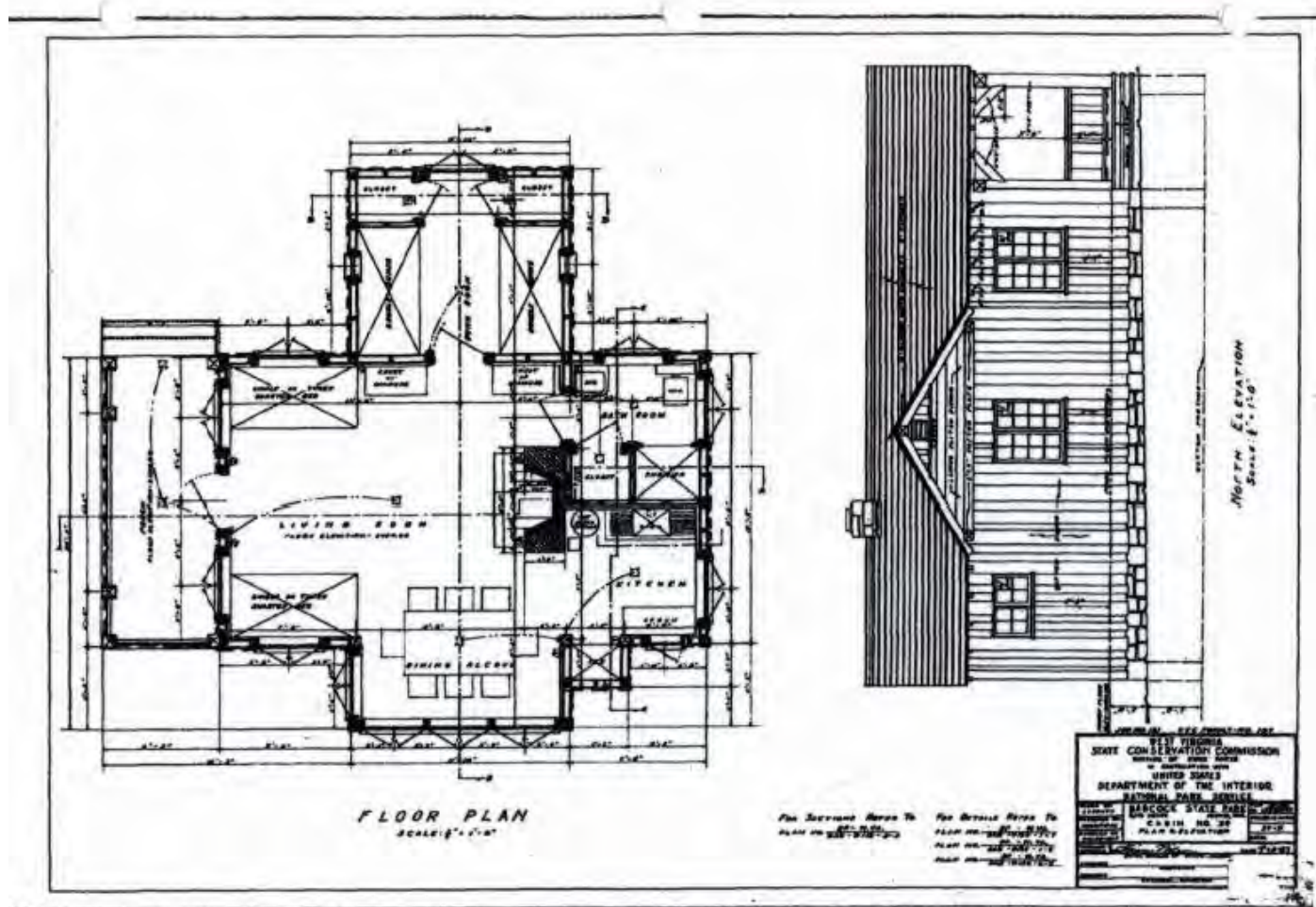


Figure 8: *Babcock State Park* cabin (United States Department of the Interior National Park Service Cooperating with West Virginia Conservation Commission). nd.

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Figures      Page      38

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

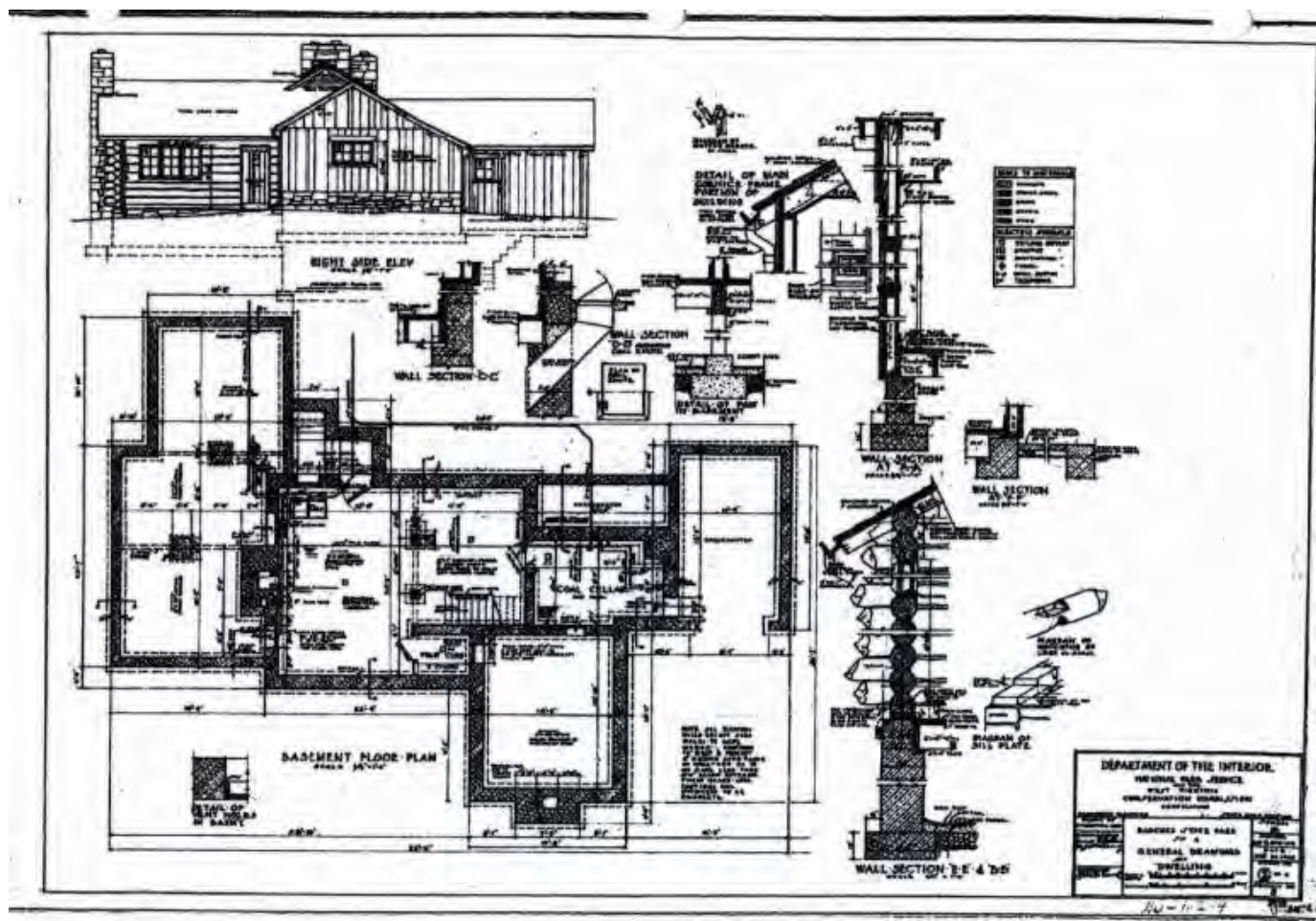


Figure 9: *Babcock State Park* cabin (United States Department of the Interior National Park Service Cooperating with West Virginia Conservation Commission). nd.

**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Photos      Page      39

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

**PHOTOS**

Name of Property:	New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park Historic District
City or Vicinity:	Clifftop
County:	Fayette
State:	West Virginia
Photographer:	Mary Ruffin Hanbury
Date Photographed:	March 2017

Photo 1 of 21: Old Sewell Road, camera facing northeast

Photo 2 of 21: Pump House, camera facing northwest

Photo 3 of 21: Car Bridge, camera facing south

Photo 4 of 21: Dam, camera facing west

Photo 5 of 21: Administration Building, camera facing northeast

Photo 6 of 21: Administration Building Terrace, camera facing northeast

Photo 7 of 21: Administration Building Terrace, camera facing northeast

Photo 8 of 21: Cabin 2, camera facing west

Photo 9 of 21: Cabin 5, camera facing northeast

Photo 10 of 21: Cabin 12, camera facing south

Photo 11 of 21: Cabin 13, camera facing south

Photo 12 of 21: Island in the Sky Shelter, camera facing east

Photo 13 of 21: Cabins 22-28, camera facing northwest

Photo 14 of 21: Cabin 27, camera facing southeast

Photo 15 of 21: Cabin 23, camera facing west

Photo 16 of 21: Manns Creek Picnic Shelter, camera facing northeast

Photo 17 of 21: Manns Creek Picnic Area Parking, camera facing southwest

Photo 18 of 21: Game Court Area, camera facing east

Photo 19 of 21: Main Supply House, camera facing southwest

Photo 20 of 21: Stables, camera facing north

Photo 21 of 21: Superintendent's Residence, camera facing southwest



**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Photos      Page      40

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)



**Photo 1: Old Sewell Road, camera facing northeast**



**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Photos      Page      41

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)



**Photo 2: Pump House, camera facing northwest**



**United States Department of the Interior**  
**National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Photos      Page      42

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)



**Photo 3: Car Bridge, camera facing south**



**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Photos      Page      43

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)



**Photo 4: Dam, camera facing west**



**United States Department of the Interior**  
**National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Photos      Page      44

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)



**Photo 5: Administration Building, camera facing northeast**



**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Photos      Page      45

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)



**Photo 6: Administration Building Terrace, camera facing northeast**



**United States Department of the Interior**  
**National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Photos      Page      46

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)



**Photo 7: Administration Building Terrace, camera facing northeast**



**United States Department of the Interior**  
**National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Photos      Page      47

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)



**Photo 8: Cabin 2, camera facing west**



**United States Department of the Interior**  
**National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Photos      Page      48

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)



**Photo 9: Cabin 5, camera facing northeast**



**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Photos      Page      49

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)



**Photo 10: Cabin 12, camera facing south**



**United States Department of the Interior**  
**National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Photos      Page      50

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)



**Photo 11: Cabin 13, camera facing south**



**United States Department of the Interior**  
**National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Photos      Page      51

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)



**Photo 12: Island in the Sky Shelter, camera facing east**



**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Photos      Page      52

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)



**Photo 13: Cabins 22-28, camera facing northwest**



**United States Department of the Interior**  
**National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Photos      Page      53

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)



**Photo 14: Cabin 27, camera facing southeast**



**United States Department of the Interior**  
**National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Photos      Page      54

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)



**Photo 15: Cabin 23, camera facing west**



**United States Department of the Interior**  
**National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Photos      Page      55

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)



**Photo 16: Manns Creek Picnic Shelter, camera facing northeast**



**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Photos      Page      56

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)



**Photo 17: Manns Creek Picnic Area Parking, camera facing southwest**



**United States Department of the Interior**  
National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Photos      Page      57

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)



**Photo 18: Game Court Area, camera facing east**

**United States Department of the Interior**  
**National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Photos      Page      58

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)



**Photo 19: Main Supply House, camera facing southwest**



**United States Department of the Interior**  
**National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Photos      Page      59

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property  
Fayette, WV

County and State  
New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)



**Photo 20: Stables, camera facing north**

**United States Department of the Interior**  
**National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

Section number      Photos      Page      60

New Deal Resources in Babcock State Park  
Historic District

Name of Property

Fayette, WV

County and State

New Deal Resources in West Virginia State  
Parks and Forests

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)



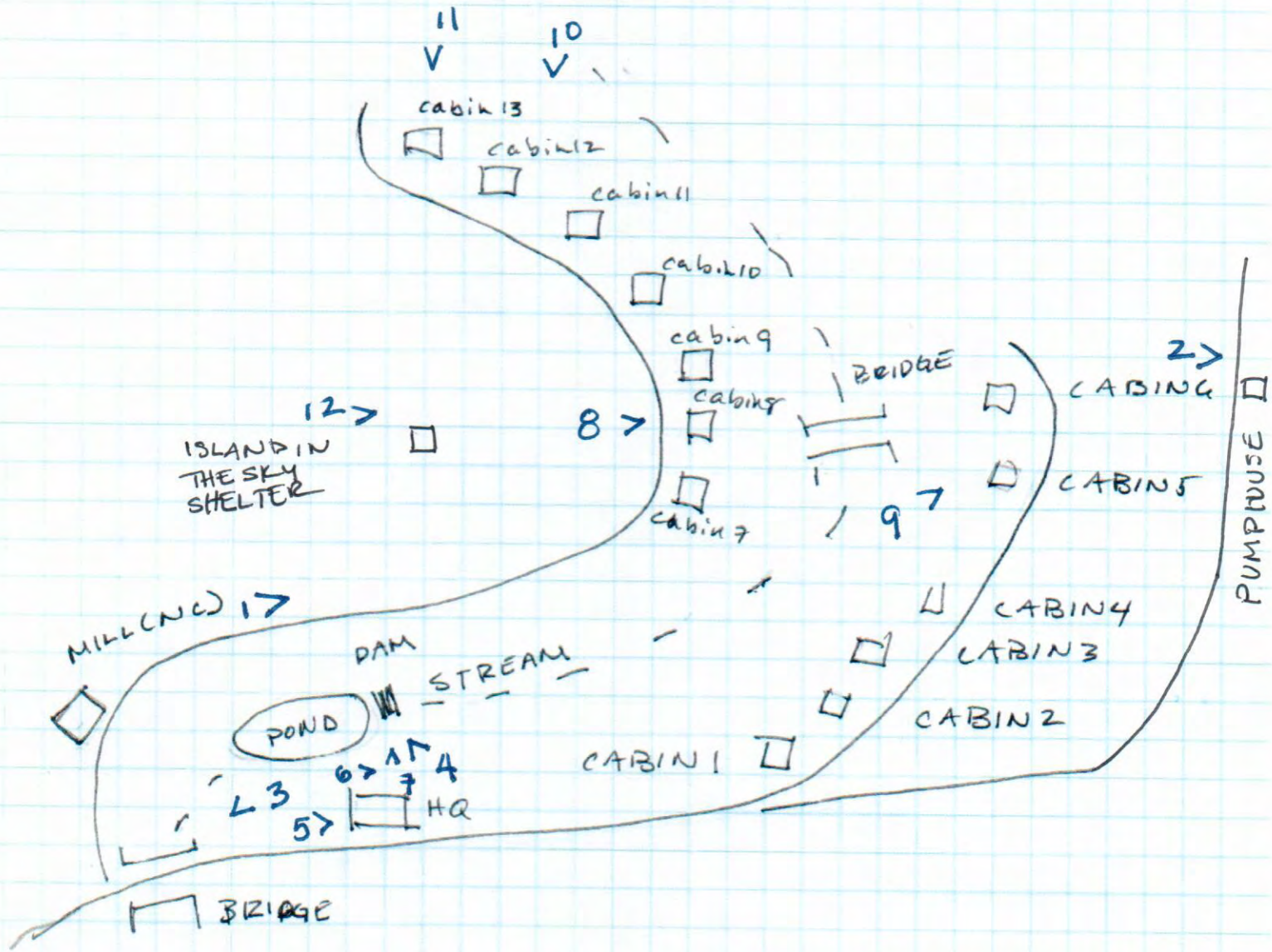
**Photo 21: Superintendent's Residence, camera facing southwest**



BABCOCK STATE PARK  
INSET MAP  
CABINS & HQ AREA  
NOT TO SCALE  
FAYETTE CO, WV



PHOTO KEY: #>

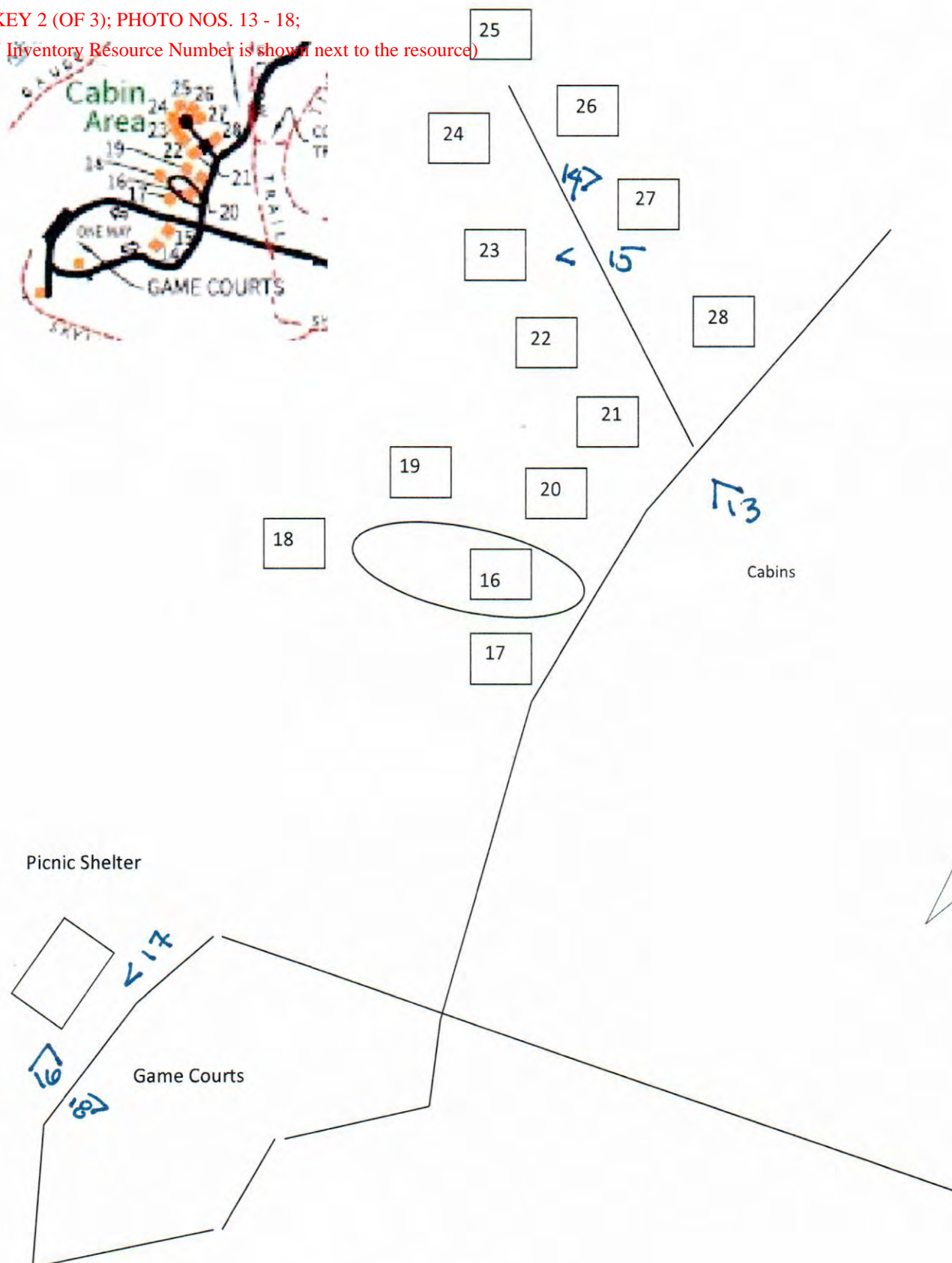


NEW DEAL RESOURCES IN BABCOCK STATE PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT

486 BABCOCK ROAD, CLIFFTOP, FAYETTE COUNTY, WV

PHOTO KEY 2 (OF 3); PHOTO NOS. 13 - 18;

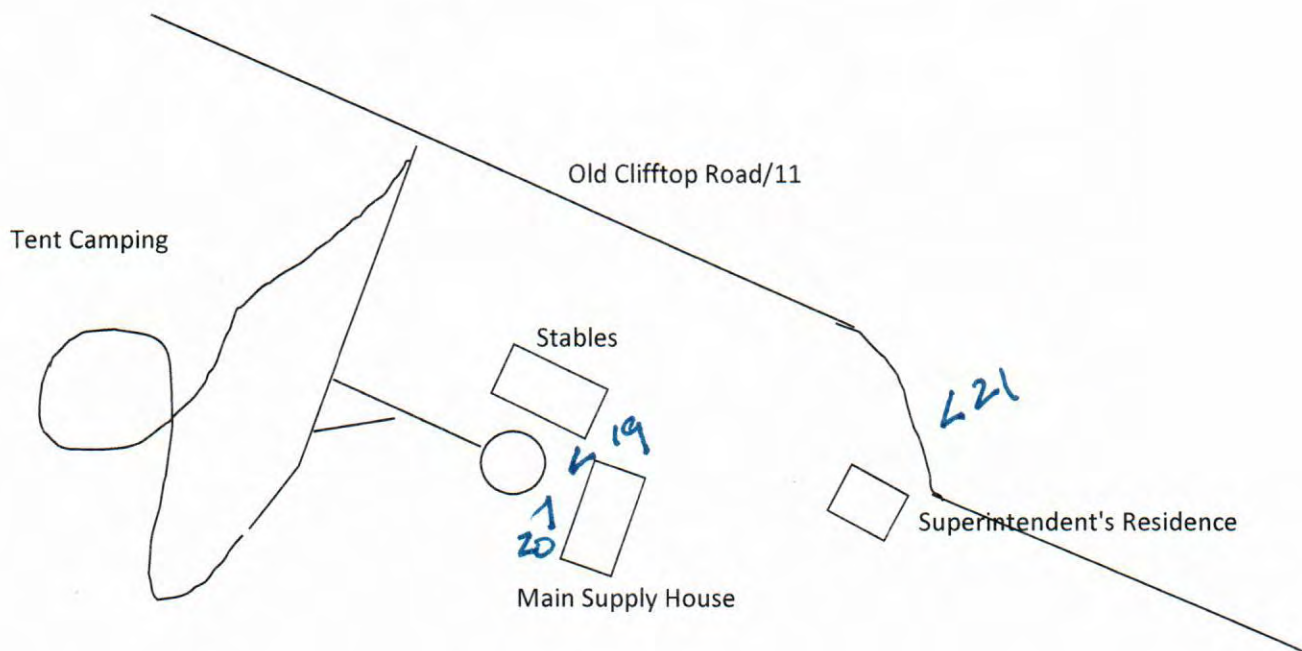
(Section 7 Inventory Resource Number is shown next to the resource)



Babcock State Park, Sketch Map Detail  
not to scale

photo key: #>





Babcock State Park, Sketch Map Detail  
not to scale

PHOTOKEY: #>



# BABCOCK STATE PARK

SITE MAP (WITH INSETS INDICATED)

## BABCOCK STATE PARK 4,127 acres



OLD SEWELL ROAD 19/33 IS CLOSED TO VEHICULAR TRAFFIC.  
SUITABLE FOR FOOT TRAVEL ONLY. TRAVEL AT YOUR OWN  
RISK, NOT MAINTAINED.

## Legend

- Park boundary
- Paved road
- Improved road
- Hiking trail
- Stream
- Parking area
- Structures
- Footbridge
- Gate

Stone Resources and Section 7  
Resource number

## TYPES AND SIZES OF CABINS

### Legacy Cabins

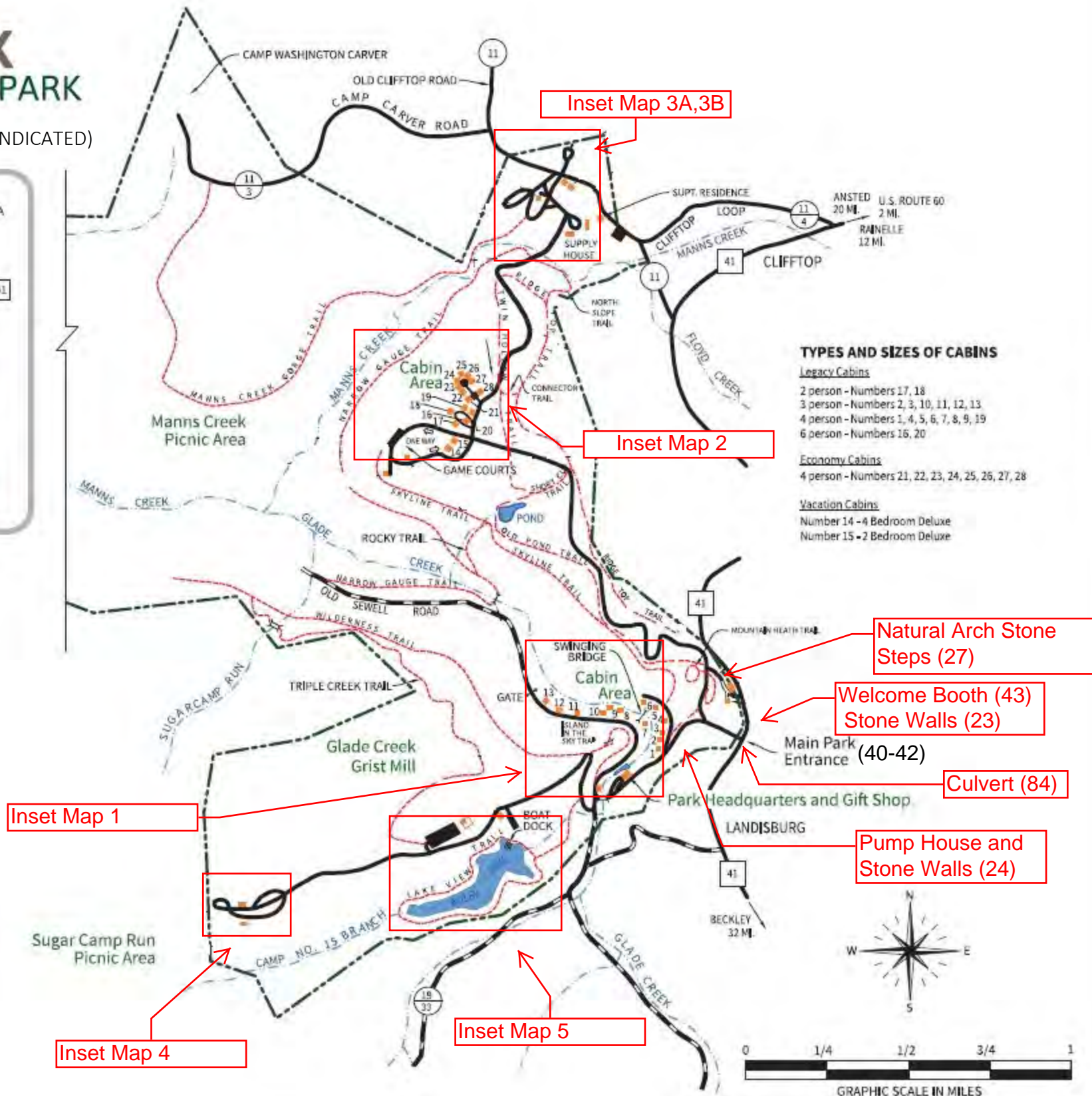
- 2 person - Numbers 17, 18
- 3 person - Numbers 2, 3, 10, 11, 12, 13
- 4 person - Numbers 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 19
- 6 person - Numbers 16, 20

### Economy Cabins

- 4 person - Numbers 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28

### Vacation Cabins

- Number 14 - 4 Bedroom Deluxe
- Number 15 - 2 Bedroom Deluxe

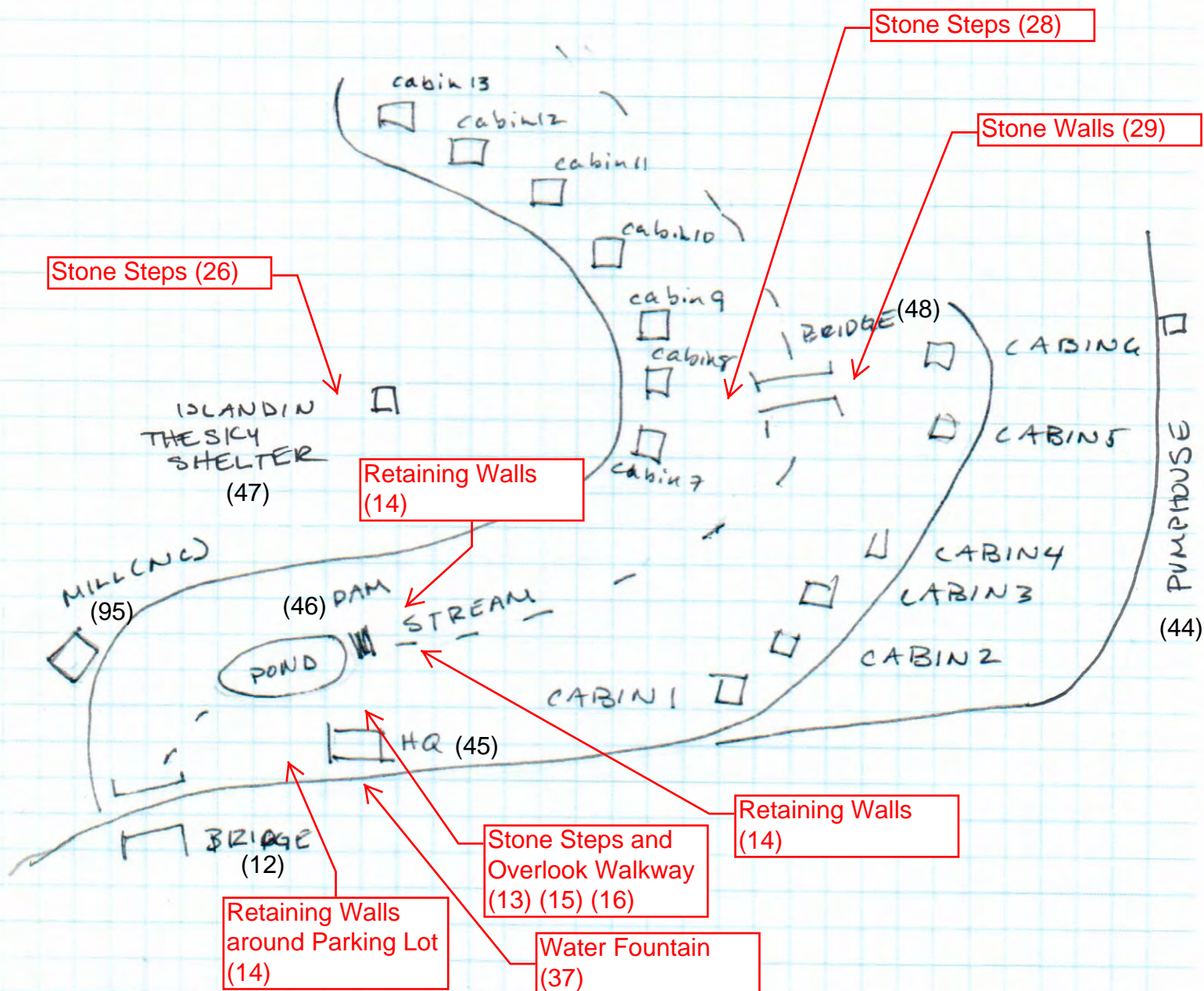




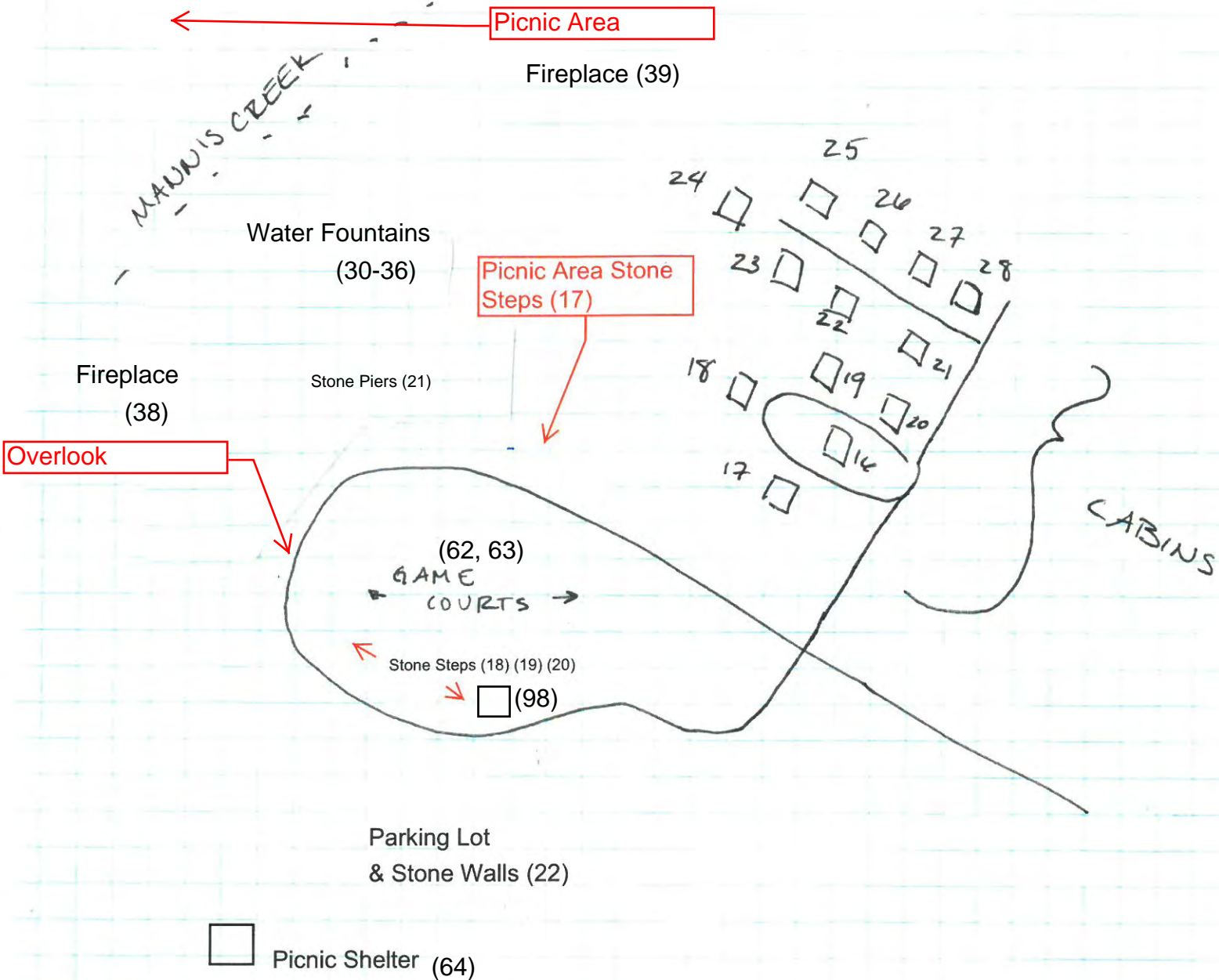
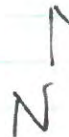
BABCOCK STATE PARK  
INSET MAP<sup>1</sup>  
CABINS & HQ AREA  
NOT TO SCALE  
FAYETTE CO, WV



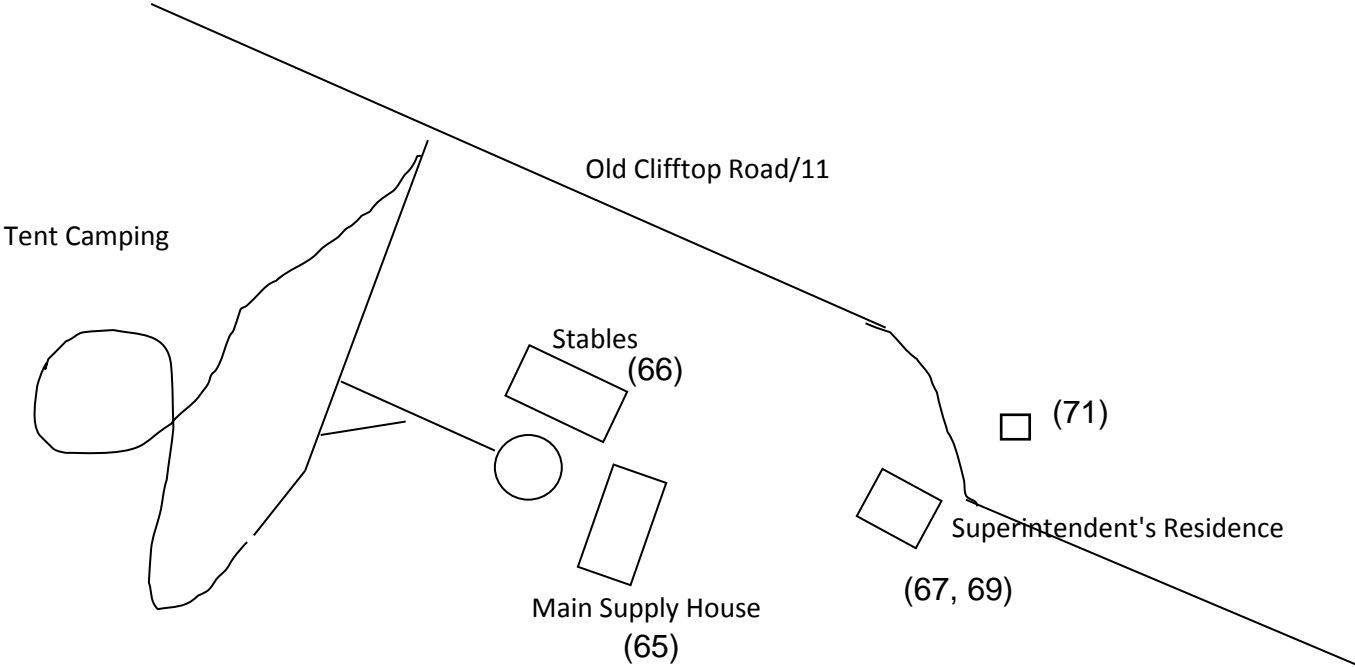
(Numbers in parenthesis correspond with resource inventory number in section 7)



BABCOCK STATE PARK  
(INSET MAP 2)  
MANN'S CREEK AREA  
NOT TO SCALE  
FAYETTE CO, WV



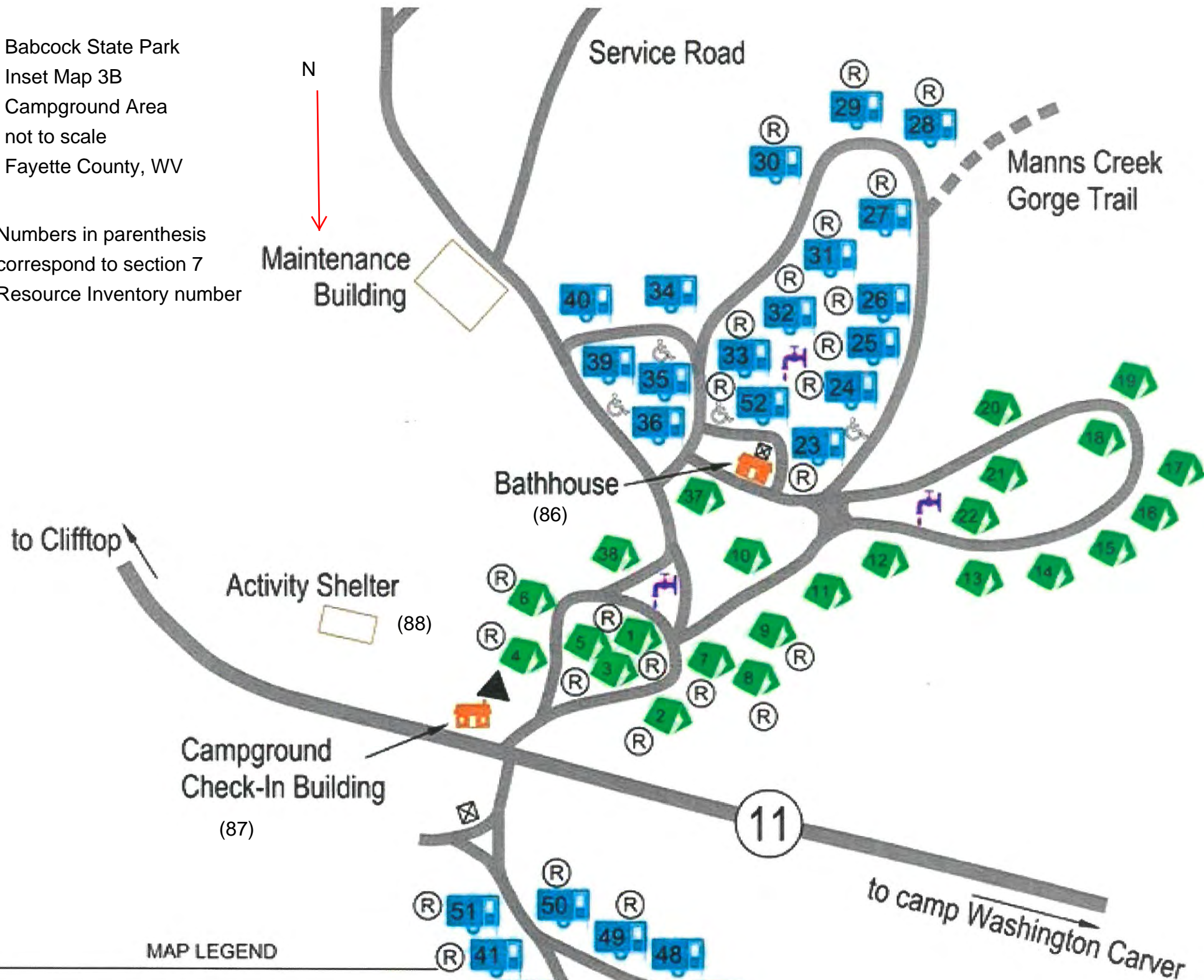




**Babcock State Park, Sketch Map Detail**  
**not to scale**

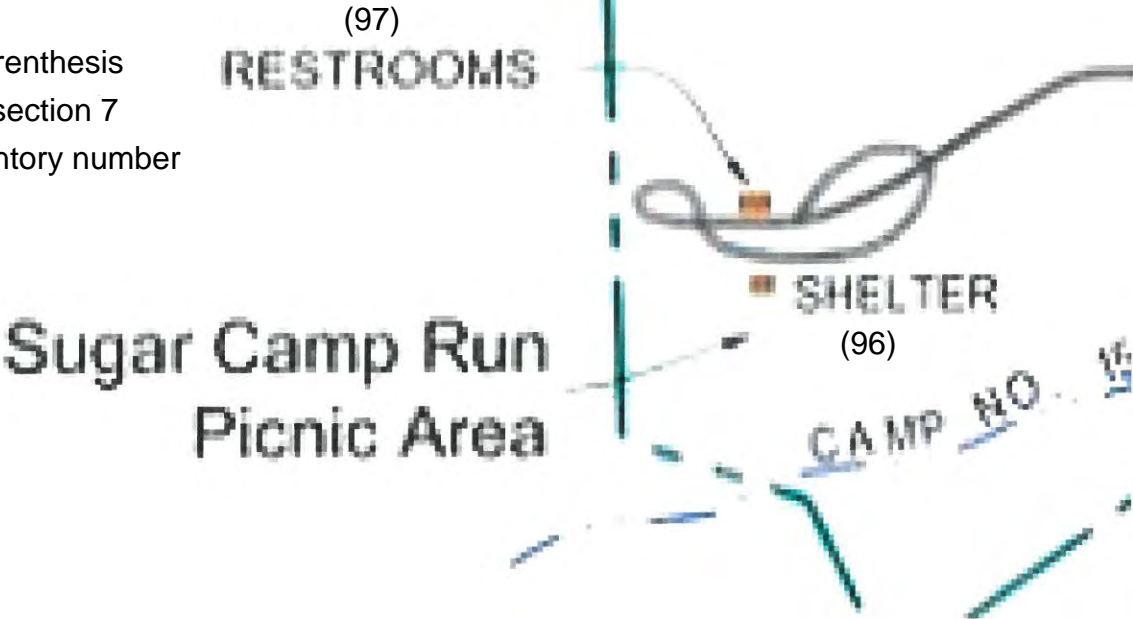
Babcock State Park  
Inset Map 3B  
Campground Area  
not to scale  
Fayette County, WV

Numbers in parenthesis  
correspond to section 7  
Resource Inventory number



Babcock State Park  
Inset Map 4  
Sugar Camp Run Picnic Area  
not to scale  
Fayette County, WV

Numbers in parenthesis  
correspond to section 7  
Resource Inventory number



Babcock State Park  
Inset Map 5  
Boley Lake Area  
not to scale  
Fayette County, WV

Numbers in parenthesis  
correspond to section 7  
Resource Inventory number



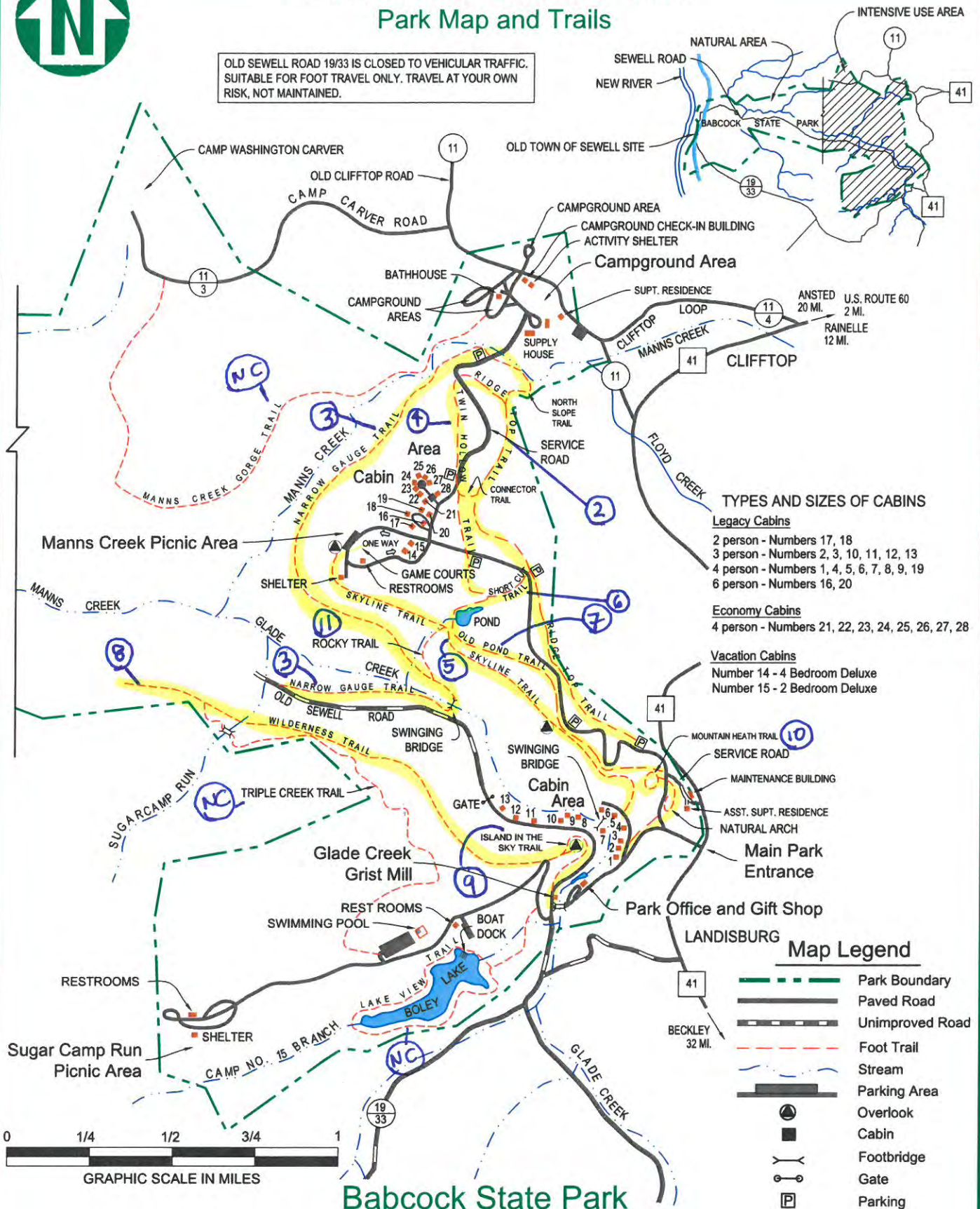




# Babcock State Park

## Park Map and Trails

OLD SEWELL ROAD 19/33 IS CLOSED TO VEHICULAR TRAFFIC.  
SUITABLE FOR FOOT TRAVEL ONLY. TRAVEL AT YOUR OWN  
RISK, NOT MAINTAINED.



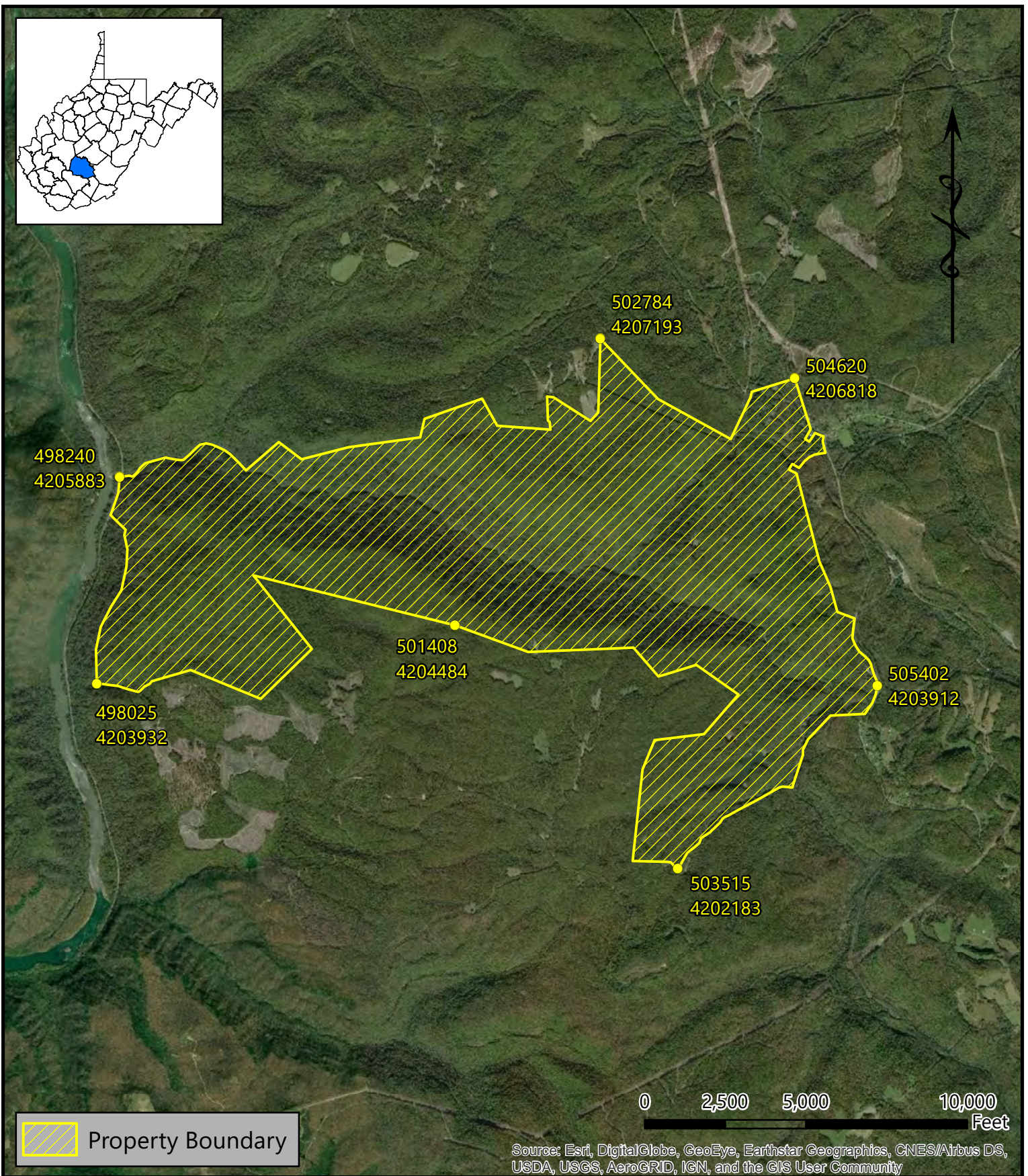
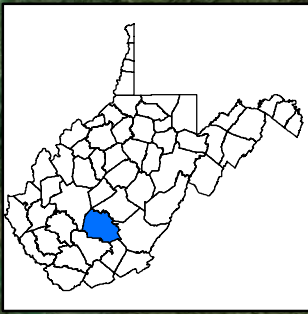
## Babcock State Park

486 Babcock Road Clifftop, WV 25831 (304) 438-3004 [www.babcocksp.com](http://www.babcocksp.com)

Drawn By: Skidmore Drafting Service LLC, [danskidmore@cliff.r.com](mailto:danskidmore@cliff.r.com) File Name: Babcock State Park, Park Map & Trail Guide.dwg Date: 4/18/2016 2:11:59 PM

KEY: - CONTRIBUTING TRAILS / ① - CORRESPONDS TO SECTION 7 RESOURCE NUMBER



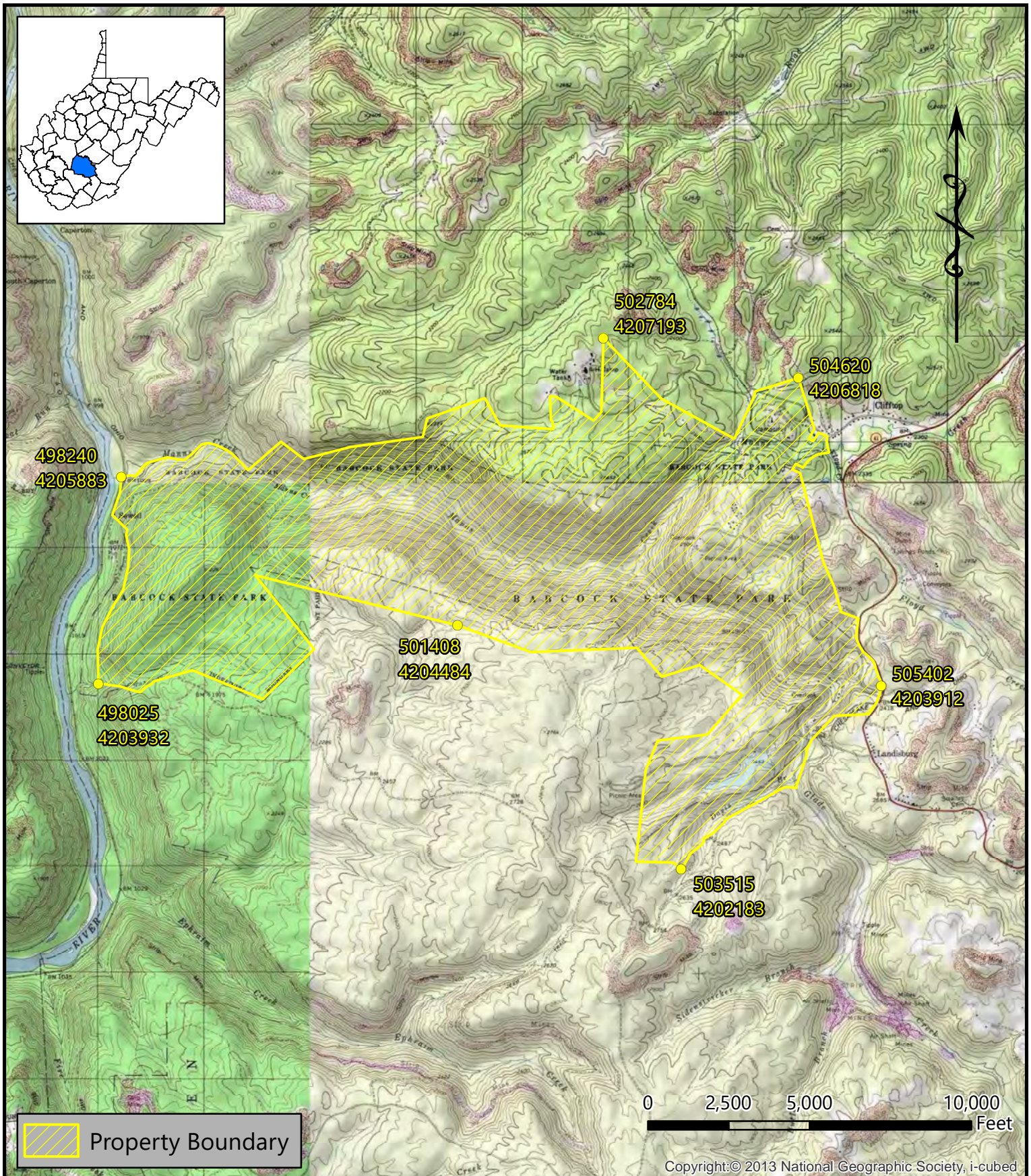


Acres: 4050  
Quad: Danese, Fayetteville  
Thurmond, Winona  
Date: 10/9/2019

New Deal Resources in  
**Babcock State Park Historic District**  
Fayette County - West Virginia







Acres: 4050  
 Quad: Danese, Fayetteville  
 Thurmond, Winona  
 Date: 10/9/2019

New Deal Resources in  
**Babcock State Park Historic District**  
 Fayette County - West Virginia

